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Kissinger's wife accused of assault

Mrs Nancy Kissinger, the wife of Dr Henry Kissinger, faces a tharge of physically attacking i woman who allegedly in-sulted the former United States Secretary of State (Christopher Thamas writes from New York).

A warrant for Mrs Kis-singer's arrest was issued on Tuesday when she failed to appear in court at Newark, New Jersey to answer charges filed by Mrs Elien Kaplan, of New

by Mrs Ellen Kaplan, of New York.

Court authorities said the incident happened last month when the couple were waiting at Newark for a flight to Boston, where Dr Kissinger had heart surgery.

"Apparently some remarks were directed at the Kissingers—or, rather, there was a personal alur at Dr Kissinger by a demonstrator in a nuclear group. Nancy Kissinger took offence and grabbed at the throat of the woman in the heat of the moment," an airport spokesman said.

Royal pictures condemned

The Press Council has conlemned The Sun and the Daily Star for publishing photographs of the Princess of Wales sunbathing on a beachin the Bahamas. The council said the pictures were a gross interaction? intrusion" into the personal privacy of the Princess.

Oil price rise accord urged

Professor Sir Douglas Hague, a senior economics adviser to the Prime Minister, said that the West should my to reach some understanding with OPEC to allow a steady ennual increase in the real price of oil Page 15

Betting levy ruling today

The Home Secretary is expected to rule today on how the Herjerace Betting Levy Board from April He is likely to decide on a figure well-below the £24.4m sought by the board, while increasing this year's £17.6m levy Page 2

Postal profits

Postal profits could show a profit of E80m this year, but Government cash curbs were threatening investment, Mr Ron Dearing the Post Office chairman, told a Parliamentary Select Committee Page 15

Villa optimistic Aston Villa have an excellent chance of reaching the semi-finals of the European Cup after holding Dynamo Kiev to

a gnalless draw at Simferopol in the quarter-final first leg Page 20 Bonn scandal

West Germany is facing its third public scandal in a month with the revelations of Bonn's former spymaster about the activities of BND, the intelligence service. Mr Richard Nixon is alleged to have been one of its targets

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Kissinger and the oil crisis

The oil price rises in 1973 concrisis and caused irrevocable changes throughout the world. thanges throughout the world. The postwar rise in prosperity was brought to a balt, virtually overnight. Henry Kissinger, the former American Secretary of State, recalls in detail what he calls "one of the most pivotal events of the century " Page 12

'Preview' goes to the fair

The Burlington House and Chelsea antiques fairs, which make next week an important one for collectors, are featured in tomorrow's Preview, the 16-page weekly guide to entertainment and

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Letters: Our South African cricket, from Mr D. G. Auger, and others, prison disorders, from Dr J. E. Thomas; Mr Thorpe and Anneary, from Dr Gordon McCrester, and others Leading articles. Leading articles Central Obituary, page 14 M Gabriel Arout, W. John Hare

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Home Guard revived with 4,500 volunteers

The new force would free regular and reserve croops for more mobile defence work.

The four pilot companies, each of which well have 95 members, will be centred on Perth, Barungham, Bury St

Edmunds, and on Resding, Portsmouth and Maidenbead

in the South-east. They will use TA centres and facilities.

The TiA expansion comes in the wake of last year's announcement of a phased increase in its strength from 70,000 to 86,000. Some units will be allowed to recruit above their establishment and the number of training days is being raised to 42.

entra company for The Royal Irish Rangers, the Sist High-land Volunteers, and The Royal Regiment of Wales. The emphasis will be on home

In some areas TA centres

will be improved and new ones will be improved and new ones will be built at Bangor (Northern Ireland), Bedford, Sutton Coldfield, Telford, York, Colby Newham (south Teaside), Walsalf, Colchester, Buth Wildner, Alience

The adventure training scheme will provide outdoor courses of two or three weeks

for young people with the Ser-

vices, starting next month. They will be available for up to 7,000 teenagers aged between 16 and 18 who can start

applying to their local Service

from March 29. The scheme will cost £1.5m, funded from the defence budget.

The Army scheme will be run

from Fort George in Scotland under LieutenantiColonel John Blashford Snell; the Navy will take boys to HMS Raleigh, the junior, training establishment at Plymouth; and the RAF will organize its contribution at Costant with March Miller at Costant and the RAF will organize its contribution at Costant and the RAF will organize its contribution at Costant and the RAF will organize the March Miller at Costant and the RAF will organize the March Miller at Costant and the RAF will organize the March Miller at Costant and the RAF will organize the March Miller at Costant and the RAF will organize the March Miller at Costant and the March Miller at Costant and the Miller at Costant and the March Miller at Costant and the March Miller at Costant and the Miller at Costant

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emphasis defence.

The Government is to create parachuted into Britain Home Guard to protect of Britain's more vital from crack Russian troops in wartime. A pilot supplies scheme will start in four ereas. The ne of the country next September, regular as of the country next September.

Details were disclosed yesterday by Mr John Nort: Secterday by Mr John Nort: Secterday of State for Defence, who also announced expansion plans for the Territorial Acmy including 12 new TA centres, and an adventure training scheme that will be run for young people by the Ministry of Defence.

The new reserve force.

The new reserve, fore-shadowed last year in The Times, will be called the Home Service Force (HSF) and, if the pilot scheme is successful, will include about 4,500

volunteers. · · · · The Army is looking for people aged between 18 and 59 who will probably have to assemble for four or five weekends a year. Because the training periods will be few it is hoping to attract former Sernoping to anisate former Servicemen, regulars or reserves, or policemen, who would already know something about drill and teamwork."

Ideally the Army would like young men in their twenties who might not be able to spare the time for the



Territorials. They will be paid and will wear a levald uniform,

decided.

A senior officer said last night: We have not yet decided what weapons they will have something bester than parch-

vice Volunteers, said yesterday that he thought the scheme for The need for such a force outward Bound style courses was decided on after a survey was "a gesture of kindness, which listed about 1,000 key but not fulfilling any national points, such as telephone exchanges, power stations, electrical and the statement of the

but not fulfilling any national need."

He added that he would prefer to see young NCOs and officers from the Royal Engineers offering their skills to the youngsters in aid of practical projects such as canal repairs or similar environmental work something the condichanges, power stations, elec-nical transmitters, or even railway stations, that would need to be guarded in wartime. The threat comes from the large Sovier special purpose forces, many or whose froops would be expected to be deployed against Britain in a-future war. They could be tal work, something that could be passed on to others.

Frank Johnson, back page

Queen opens a show that hopes to run and run

By Christopher Warman, Arts Correspondent

The Queen last night opened the £153m Berbican centre for arts and conferences, the largest of its kind in western Europe, amid spledid cere-Europe, amid spledid cereinony and entertainment appropriate to the occasion, mixed
with relief that the project,
begun in 1971 after 15 years of
planning, had finally been
completed.
Despite fears that no one
would be able to find the
centre, tucked away in five and

a half acres of Cripplegate, in the centre of the City of Lon-don, 3,500 guests arrived to help launch its activities which are intended to fill 18 hours of every day, seven days a week.

The Queen said: "What has been created here must have some claim as one of the wonders of the modern world." She emphasized, however, that it was the use to which the complex would be put that would "justify the faith of those who conceived it, and the

The Queen swiftly experienced samples of the varied programmes offered by the centre, after unveiling the simple plaque in the spacious foyer of the huge complex.

She first opened the two arts exhibitions—Aftermath, a retrospective of art in France since the 1939-45 war, and a contemporary Cavadian tapes-try display; she then toured the centre, including the Barbican library, and next, divided her time between the opening performances by the centre's two resident companies; the London Symphony Orchestra and the Royal Shakespeare Company.

The centre, financed by the Corporation of the City of London, will cost an estimated fom a year to run, but its administrators hope that by the sixth year it will cease to be a burden on the taxpayer with 95 per cent of its costs covered

A cry in the wilderness



A vociferous young squatter is carried off from Hatzar Adar by an Israeli woman soldier. The pall of smoke in the background comes from a pile of tyres, set on fire

Israel drives out Sinai squatters

From Christopher Walker, Yamit, Sinai, March 3

illegal settlement of Hatzar Adar to begin the forced evac-uation of Jewish militants who have moved in to the region to

try to prevent its return to
Egypt next month.
Using axes and crowbars,
troops broke into the shacks
and prefabs after the militants refused to leave, Overnight the settlers had frantically begun erecting makeshift fertifica-tions but most of the resistance was symbolic, with no reports of casualties.

As the clearing operation took place, barricades of blaz-ing tyres sent pails of black smoke high into the desert sky. were in rears as they joined the forcible removal of the 60 militants in the sextlement, many of them followers of the extremist leader Rabbi Meir Kahane.

Despite the struggles, the emotional slogans and the frightened children, the Army succeeded in emptying the setbegan to dismantle it. The anti-withdrawal activists were hastily shipped back to Israel proper, while three of their number remained sadly behind

by agreement to collect per-sonal effects.

The order to begin the evacuation came directly from Mr Ariel Sharun, the Defence Arts, page 11 | Minister, who has earned the

The most testing stage of Israel's withdrawal from Sinai began at dawn today when several hundred troops moved into the drawal. It was announced towrath of many of his former Israeli supporters for his determined approach to the withdrawal. It was announced today that he will be barred entrance to many of the West Bank settlements which he helped to establish.

By early evening the Army had restricted its action to the one illegal settlement while members of the Stop the Withdrawal Campaign continued to hold out in the main urban centre of Yamit and other parts of Singi. But military sources made it clear that the evacuation of the remaining 1.400 non-residents would con-

In the wake of Mr Sharon's surprise announcement, the diehards had appealed for thousands of their supporters to drive from Israel and the West Bank to help resist the evacuation. But it soon became evident that few Israelis were prepared to heed the call, indicating a widespread conviction that the cause is

In Yamit hundreds of the illegal squatters gathered in a synagogue for the stormy meeting at which there soon appeared wide differences of opinion about the type of resistance to be offered.

Despite tension caused by the Army operation; the Government has lifted its earlier ban preventing jour-nalists visiting the area. Mitterrand visit, page 6

Exports lead to 150,000 jobs

British companies have secured £5,000m of trade in the last 18 months in large conracts alone, creating at least 150,000 jobs.

This emerged yesterday from a largely optimistic report on Britain's export performance from Lord Limerick, chairman of the British Overseas Trade Board. More than half the value of the contracts won round the world meant work within

the world meant work within the United Kingdom.

Mr Peter Rees, Minister for Trade, speaking at a conference in Hamilton, Lanarkshire on the impact of overseas aid programmes, said that every £17,000 of investment saved or created a job created a job. Lord Limerick treated with

a touch of caution suggestions that Britain's trade surplus would go to a record £6,000m on current account for 1981. It would certainly exceed the 1980 level of £3,200m and there were signs it might be of the order of £6,000m, he said. He was cheered by buoyant

exports by manufacturers, par-ticularly in the capital goods sector. "It looks as if we have re-established ourselves in the forefront of such international comperition and this will un-

related areas," he said.

During the recession last year it looked as if the advantages had been reaped from a widespread drive to cut waste, improve efficiency and estab-lish more competitive manning levels. The improvement in productivity was the vital actor even though there was the negative side of an un-acceptably high level of unemployment, Lord Limerick said.

Western Europe now bought almost 60 per cent of Britain's total visible exports, with the United Kingdom share of European Community trade growing faster than any other member country. There was a small 1980 surplus in Britain's trade with EEC countries, although he gave a warning that the United Vinders will that the United Kingdom still had a long way to go to match the performance of the French and Germans.

Sterling exchange rates, par ticularly where the United States dollar was not involved, were not a big obstacle to exporters any longer, Lord Limerick said. With British factories hungry for work it was possible to give, and keep, good delivery dates.

But the coming year was not going to be an easy one. "It seems unlikely that this last years' exceptional trade figures can be repeated," he said.

There was already a surge in imports although that was a health sign in that Britain could afford to do this, Lord Limerick said. "We need to import more if we are to build up to economic prosperity," he added.

Spending on export promo-tion shrough the BOTB in the present year will be less in real terms, the BOTB annual report showed. Spending in 1981-82 is expected to have been £87m compared with £82.2m the previous year, an increase of 5.8 per cent, well below the level of inflation.

The biggest single decline in spending is on help to individual exporters where aid has been given more selectively.

(PFP) and fundamentally rearranging the landscape South African politics.

The show of strength for the

the rebels pause, and six of the 21 who had originally sided with Dr Treurnicht recented.

Dr Treurnicht and his rebels

now form the second biggest opposition group. The official Opposition remains the PFP, with 27 seats, led by Mr Frederik Van Zyl Slabbert. The

Although much less cata-clysmic that it at first seemed,

the split is nevertheless the

S Africa ruling party expels 16 MPs

From Michael Horsnby, Johannesburg, March 3

Sixteen right-wing MPs, including Dr Andries Treurnicht, the high priest of apartheid, were today expelled from South Africa's ruling National Party and crossed the floor of the House of Assembly in Cape Town to join the Opposition.

The expulsion came exactly a week after Dr Treurnicht and

week after Dr Treurnicht and 21 other party MPs had voted against a motion of confidence in Mr Pieter Botha, the Prime Minister, over "power-shar-ing" in central Government perween whites, coloureds (those of mixed race) and

This led to a bitter battle for vani wing of the National Party, of which Dr Treurnicht was chairman, a contest that Mr Botha won decisively last Saturday when Dr Treurnicht and his followers were crushingly outvoted at a meeting of the Transvaal party's head commit-

tee in Pretoria.

That victory enabled the rime Minister to contain the revolt, which, had Dr Treurnicht been successful, could have almost halved the party strength in Parliament, conceivably forcing it into alliance with the small anti-apartheid with the small, anti-apartheid Progressive. Federal Party

Bontine Avenue, Dumbarton, was killed when the car in which she was a passenger struck a tree brought down by the wind at Port Glasgow,

A couple in their late teens also died when their car plunged into the Newry ship canal. Northern Ireland, in strong winds. They have not

een named. Ferry services from Northern

Ireland and Scotland were dis-rupted and road and rail

travellers faced delays around

travellers faced delays around Glasgow and Edinburgh.
Thousands of homes in Scotland and the north of England were left without power.
Police sealed off part of the Galway coast as heavy seas swept containers off the stricken ship Craigantiet.
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the split is nevertheless the biggest upheaval within National Party ranks since it came to power in 1948. A fair number of party MPs are thought to sympathize with Dr Treurnlicht, and the existence for the first time of a paliamentary party to the right of the Government offers a natural home for future defectors,

fectors. Transvaal vote, page 6

We are only here for the cricket'

From Eric Marsden Pretoria, March 3

On the dot of eleven at the Northern Transvaal Ground in Berea Park two familiar figures, bats swinging jauntily, crossed the pavilion boundary, and perhaps the rubicon of their cricketing lives.

As Graham Gooch of Essex and Geoffrey Boycott of Yorkshire strode to the wicket to open the innings for the South African Breweries English XI African Breweries English XI against the national under 25 team, the great rebellion was on. Last-minute telephone appeals from London had been of no avail. Telegrams to individual players were on their way—not, presumably, via the British Embassy, although it is only a brisk walk away from here. So is Union Buildings, seat of the Pretoria Government where the policies were ment where the policies were laid down which have kept South Africa out of interna-

cional cricket since 1970. Now, South Africans believe, the era of isolation is over-Today's match is the curtain-raiser for a tour which is to include three four-day Tests, the first at the Wanderers in Johannesburg next week.

What happened on the field was of secondary interest to the emotional fervour of the occasion. This was locky for the South African Breweries English, who did not perform with great distinction.

Gooch, their captain, had a few lusty hits in his top scoring 33, but Boycott, perhaps still suffering from his Indian trauma, made 1 in half an hour 3 in an hour and holed out for 13 after 95 minutes.

Modest contributions from Amis (31) Willey (23) and Knott (27) took the score to 152 for 7 in four and a half hours when Gooch declared, somewhat optimistically.

The South African Colts' openers then began to score at double the visitors' rate. They were slowed by Underwood's accuracy but finished the day on a comfortable 50 for 1 wicket. The outstanding player of the day was Adrian Kui-per, the Colts' captain, who destroyed the English innings with 5 for 22 in eight overs.

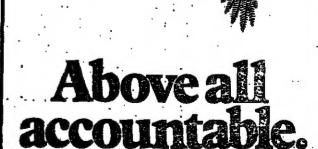
There were no regrets on either side over the internationa hullaballoo caused by the cour. Before play started Gooch said in a radio interview that he and his team mates were "Only here to play cricket and follow our profes-

National Party retains a huge majority. Its share of the total 177 seats in Parliament drop-ping from 142 to 126, The only other party represented is the moderately reformist New Republican Party of Mr Vause Raw, which has 8 seats. London: Mrs Margaret
Thatcher made a tougher statement against the tour vesterday as the players appeared to ignore a strong appeal from cricket authorities in London to return home and not jeopardize international cricket and the livelihoods of their county colleagues (a Staff Reporter writes).

Thatcher warning, page 21

Foot reselected Mr Foot, Leader of the Opposition, has been reselected as Lebour's candidate for Ebbw Vale at the next general election.

Teenagers die as gales sweep Britain Gales of up to 80 mph which swept Britain yesterday could have caused the deaths of three teenagers. Ellen Devenney, aged 16, of



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craft and skill of those who have designed and built it". Corruption rumours linked with Kremlin power struggle

From Michael Binyon, Moscow, March 3

There is an extraordinary Union's many circuses. Police atmosphere of Byzantine intrigue and scandal in Moscow at the moment: As rumours of corruption at the highest level spread throughout the city, it seems evident that a Kremlin power struggle is going on behind the scenes which could His arrest has been linked touch the position of President Brezhnev himself.

The various elements in the imbroglio include the mysterious circumstances surrounding the death in December of the deputy head of the KGB security police, the jockeying for position that has followed the death of Mr Mikhail Suslov and the sudden rise of Mr Konstantin Chernyenko, a close Brezhnev

The affair began two weeks amounts of foreign currency, protege. ago with the arrest of a senior antiques and diamonds in his official in charge of the Soviet home.

raided the flat of Mr Anatoly Kolevatov and found a cache of diamonds worth more than Im roubles which he is said to have extorted from circus performers in return for permission to travel on overseas

to a friend known as Boris Tsigen, or Boris the Gypsy, who has performed at the Bolshoi theatre and is a close friend of President Brezhnev's daughter Galina aged 53. A flamboyant character well known in artistic circles Mr Tsigan's friendship with the President's daughter has long been a source of gossip. He was picked up by police on the day of Mr Suslov's funeral and found also to have had large

Ironically, the case is now have been sacked. Police inves wider, however. Not only are being investigated by the Ministry of Rome Affairs, whose deputy head is Miss Brezhnev's present husband, Lieutenant-General Yuri Chur-

press has recently revealed a scandal at one of Moscow's principal jewelry stores, and asked pointedly how Russians earning an average wage of 175 roubles a month could

removed from his office door

tigations have spread to the senior officials involved but also

afford to buy diamonds cost wide ranging purge in which embanding 20,000 roubles.

No word of the arrests has gers and sales personnel have dent been made public, though been dismisse Mr Kolevatov's name has been manded.

The significance of the himself very visible.

Soviet visa office, known as the detention of Mr Tsigan has Ovir, where officials were clear political implications also demanding bribes in More tellingly, news of his Brezhnev's present husband, Lieutenant-General Yuri Churbanov.

The charges against Mr Kolevatov and Mr Tsigan are serious. Soviet citizens are strictly forbidden to deal in precious stones or to hold foreign currency. The Soviet press has recently revealed a press has recently revealed a press has recently revealed a marriage of Mr Brezhnev. The question naturally asked by marriage of Mr Brezhnev. The question naturally asked by marriage of Mr Brezhnev.

by marriage of Mr Brezinsev. hy Russians is: Who benefits
A secret Central Committee and who loses from such disletter was read to local party closures? And here glimpses committees in November and of a power struggle become since then there has been a apparent Those who might be wide ranging purge in which embarrassed are those most thousands of officials, mana-closely associated with Presibeen dismissed, fined or repri-particular Mr. Konstantin Chernyenko who is now making

and his deputy is also said to present affair seems to be Continued on back page, col 4

question for nurses

More than half Britain's 450,000 nurses are to be asked what forms of industrial action they would be prepared to take

what forms of industrial action they would be prepared to take if the Government next week makes a pay offer in line with its four per cent guidelines for public service workers (David Felton writes).

The National Union of Public Employees, which represents almost 100,000 nurses, has suggested a five-point programme of action which amounts to a work to rule but the Confederation of Health Service Employees, with 145,000 nursing members, is asking for suggestions from its members. The Royal College of Nursing, with 190,000 members, has already said that it will not take industrial action. Nurses' leaders are due to hear the Government's offer on Tuesday and some union officials believe that they could be faced with an offer which gives preferential treatment to the higher grades.

Trade silence on milk fears

Neither the Milk Marketing Board nor the Dairy Trade Federation would comment yesterday on a recommendation which goes before Gloucester-shire County Council's educashire County Council's educarion committee later this
month, to reject subsidized
school milk on health grounds
(John Young writes).
They may be reluctant to
stimulate further controversy
over the alleged risks from
milk-drinking, notably obesity
and coronary disease.
Under a scheme introduced

and coronary disease.

Under a scheme introduced last autumn education authorities get an EEC subsidy of 8.78p a pint if they contribute a quarter of the costs.

Dismissal of rail drivers upheld

Mr Max Wallace, aged 23, of Eastleigh, Hampshire, one of the train drivers at the centre

the train drivers at the centre of a dispute over alleged "fidding" by his colleagues yesterday lost his appeal against dismissal.

Mr Wallace and Mr Geoffrey Leighson, also aged 23, of Bassett Green, Southampton, were dismissed after they admitted charges including drinking on duty, absence from shifts and driving a passenger shifts and driving a passenger train in excess of a 90 mph speed limit.

Search for coal under N Sea

The National Coal Board is to search for more coal under the North Sea. Its £3.5m programme, starting next month, will plot forward reserves in the undersea coalfield that stretches from north Northumberland to south Durham.

Four boreholes will be drilled between four miles and seven miles off the coast from Wearmouth colliery. The pir's 2,345 men are already mining coal up to six miles out from the main shaft.

Unionist rivals in poll today

The voters of Belfast, South go to the polls today in a byelection which is seen as an important test of which of the two major parties represents opinion (Richard Ford writes).

Both the Official Unionists and the brasher Democratic Unionists, led by the Rev Ian Paisley, argue that they are the rightful heirs to the Rev Robert Bradford, the former MP, who was murdered by the IRA last

Anger over dear Welsh water

The Government was told yesterday that the issue of water rates in Wales could cause political instability. Mr Donald Anderson, Labour MP for Swansea, East, chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on Welsh Affairs, told Mr Nicholas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales:
"There is considerable anger in Wales over the fact that the average charge to domestic consumers is 14 per cent higher than any other authority, in spite of the high level of rain-fall in Wales".

APT breaks down again

British Rail's 120 mph ad-vanced passenger train, which will cut an hour off the journey from London to Glasgov when it comes into operation in May, broke down twice dur-ing a test run on the line on Monday night, British Rail revealed vesterday.

The problem was caused by fault in the mechanism linking the train to overhead powerlines. The train broke down near Lancaster and then 60 miles away at Penrith, Cumbria.

Murder charge

Martin Edward Beale, aged Martin Edward Beale, aged 49, of no fixed address, was charged last night with the murder of Rowan Grace Emy Beale, aged two. The Devon and Cornwall police said he would appear before Kingsbridge magistrates today.

Gatwick-US link

The United States airline, TWA, is to operate a daily service to New York from Gatwick airport, London, from April 26. There are already three daily flights from the community much closer Heathrow sirport to New York.

Lawyer in birth Pay action drug case to be investigated

The lawyer acting for the health authority in the case of Mrs Carol Brown, who was left paralysed after being given a pain-killing injection in child-hirth, is to be investigated, it was announced last night. He had been disciplined by the authority in another case.

authority in another case. Mr Anthony Driver, chairman of the South West Thames.
Regional Health Authority,
which yesterday discussed a
report into the handling of Mrs Brown's legal case, said: "We are extremely sorry about the great injustice done to Mrs Brown and the way in which she has been treated sub-

The report into the mistake on January 9, 1979, was com-missioned after Mrs Brown was awarded damages of £414,563, the highest damages awarded by an English court for personal mjuries. Giving judgment Mr Justice Taylor described the conduct of the authority or those acting for it as "nothing short of scandalous".

The two men conducting the inquiry, Judge Coplestone-Boughey, a circuit judge and member of the Sutton, Merton and Wandsworth area health authority, and Mr Peter Lambert, a member of the region, found that the system for in-



Mrs Carol Brown: Paralysed after epidural

correspondence by our solici-tors. It also records that they did not keep officers informed about the case.

"The regional health anth-ority is extremely disturbed about this and is making in-quiries into the actions of the legal adviser in handling the

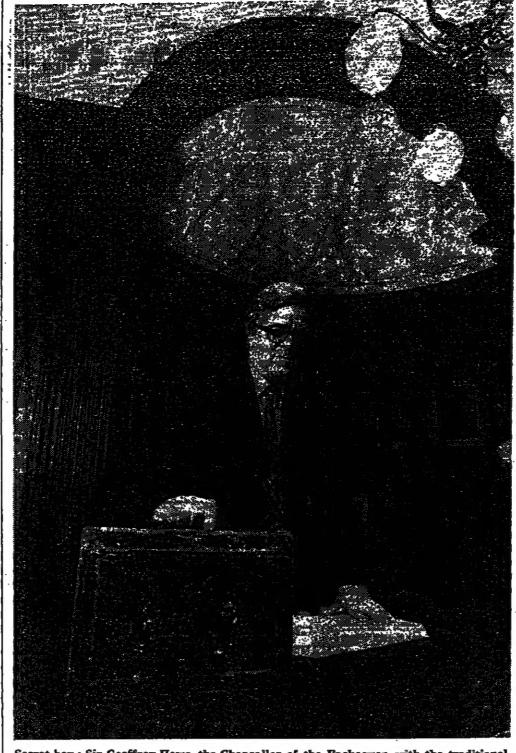
The legal adviser to the South West Thames regional health authority is Mr Neil Yates. It was disclosed last night that he had been disciplined by the authority in the case of Mrs Eileen Davy, who was awarded £95,000 damages in January, 1981.

Mr Justice Park commented then that the lawyers' handling of the case was "a shambles". Mrs Davy had had two brain operations an dher health subsequently declined. The authority failed to produce defence documents or reply to letters,

documents or reply to letters, and ignored court orders. The health authorities said

yesterday that it was still not clear how Mrs. Brown was paralysed but it happened in the "topping up" of the epidural injection. The Central Midwives Board is examining what happened because both midwives concerned, eneither of whom held the necessary certificate of competence, were found to have breahed the rules of procedure.

The trial judge said it took the authorities two and a half years to admit liability. All attempts to elicit humane reactions or minimum courtesies from the authority failed. "The solicitor informed us more generally t hat it was not his practice and had not been the practice of his predecessor to consult client authorities about the conduct or progress of cases to which they were parties", said the report.



Secret box: Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, with the traditional case in which he will carry his Budget speech to the Commons on Tuesday. The wooden box, covered with scarlet leather, was first used in Gladstone's day SDP Budget proposals, page 5

MP angry over cuts for police

By Peter Evans Affairs Correspondent As the West Midlands Police Authority decided to cut police overtime to save money yester-day, Mrs Jill Knight, Conser-vative MP for Birmingham, Edgbaston, condemned "plum-

meting standards of law and order." A reduction of £1.5m next year in overtime spending is expected to mean fewer officers outside football grounds to prevent rowdyism, and to police the 60 marches and demonstrations a year in the West Midlands.

The reduction is part of a £2.2m cuts package which the West Midlands County Council is likely to approve on Monday.

Mrs Knight said vesterday she had asked the police how the cuts would affect standards of policing on the streets.

"If, as I suspect or fear, this will lead to a fall in the standard, I shall apply to see the

Home Secretary . Mr Edwin Shore, Labour chairman of the police authority, said last night: "Perhaps she will have more luck than I did with Mr Whitelaw and

Mr Heseltine ". The cuts are bound to fuel criticism of the Government's law and order policies. Al ready Mrs Knight, who sits on the influential home affairs select committee, has spoken out about a dismal failure to restore standards of law and

She told local Conservatives on Friday that although the Government had built up the strongest police force ever and could not be held solely to blame for the high crime rate: I am convinced that far far

more has to be done". Chairman chosen for raison group

A Roman Catholic priest was yesterday elected chairman of Britain's first police and community liaison group for the sensitive area of Lambeth, south London (Richard Evans

writes).
Father Charles Walker, aged
58, the Archbishop of South-wark's chapiain to the West Indian community in south London for eight years, was unopposed after two potential candidates declined to be nominated.

The formation of the group, which will attempt to deal with police relations in Brixton, is a direct result of a recommenda-tion contained in Lord Scarman's report into last April's riots and follows two recent preparatory meetings at the Home Office. Mr William Whitelaw, Home

Mr William whitelaw, frome Secretary, has been anxious to get one of the new committees established quickly before the first anniversary of the Brixton troubles. He is under increasing pressure to introduce a statutory system of consultation as proposed by Lord Scar-

man. Father Walker is likely to remain chairman until Octobe while the group attempts to establish itself. He told the 50 people who elected him: "I hope we all feel we are comrades in this undertaking. I am a bit fearful of the weight of this task."

Afterwards, he added: "We want to bring the police and

want to bring the police and

Cash blow for racing chiefs

By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Home Secretary, will today announce his adjudication on the dispute between book-makers and the Horserace Betting Levy Board over the size of the levy for the year beginning April 1.

Mr Whitelaw is expected to tell Sir Timothy Kitson, chair-man of the all-party Commons racing committee, that next year's levy will be considerably less than the £24.4m sought by the board. But he will announce some increase on this year's £17.6m, which the bookmakers say should be unchanged.

say should be unchanged.

The disagreement between the board and the bookmakers was referred to Mr Whitelaw last autumn. The board's original request for a levy scheme which would have yielded £26.5m was rejected outright by the bookmakers' committee. The board then revised its requirements to cussed at a racing committee meeting, attended by Lord Plummer, the levy board chairman, at the Commons on Tues-

Mr Whitelaw appointed independent assessors to examine racing's finances, including bookmakers' turnover and profits, and has just completed his study of their report. He is expected to announce his decision in a parliamentary

The council says that the surreptitions taking of the long-range pictures of the Princess when she was five

A leading article in today's issue of The Sun repeats an

apology for causing distress to the Royal Family, but says the Princess saw nothing wrong in being seen by other holiday-makers on the beach.

The council said it will inquire into the potential breach

of its declaration on privacy when the pictures were pub-lished on February 18. It in-vited the editors of both news-papers to defend their conduct.

The council says in the state-ment that it was told by Mr Kelvin Mackenzie, editor of The Sun, that he rested on the

editorial comment published by

Mr Lloyd Turner, editor of the Daily Star, submitted a de-

tailed explanation of his and

his staff's conduct with state-

ments by the photographer and reporter who provided the

photographs and the report.

Both editors and their re-

porters and photographers de-clined invitations to attend the

complaints committee meeting which considered the matter.

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The Press Council says that

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excuse that intrusion ".

Papers are condemned

months pregnant was a gross intrusion into her personal privacy. It adds: "There was no legitimate public interest to "The appeal

over Princess photographs

The Press Council condemns
The Sun and the Daily Star today for bringing discredit on
the press by publishing pictures of the Princess of Wales
sunbathing in a bikini on a
beach in the Bahamas.

The public interest is not
synonymous with 'of interest
to the public.' To justify intrusion in the privacy of any
individual the public interest
relied on must be legitimate
and proper.

Mr William Whitelaw, the ing committee. Sir Timothy In view of the bookmakers' per cent comments that the 10 per cent deduction on the dispute between bookmakers and the Horserace been asked to pay £40,000 for the preparation of the bookmakers are the preparation of the bookmakers' that the Home Secretary has makers of the levy for the year makers' case to be submitted to Mr Whitelaw.

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close to what it was asking for, because it was seeking to provide a secure future for the He said the 1 per cent increase in off-course deductions from punters would vield the bookmakers about £30m after

the Government had received its share. The board was seek-ing only an extra £6m on the The board says it needs more money to boost efforts to safe-

Members agreed to ask the

National Heritage Memorial
Fund to consider helping to
save the National. Sir Timothy
said: "One usually associates
the fund with works of art and the like, but we felt one could written reply. reasonably claim that the
There is much sympathy for
the board in the all-party ractant part of the heritage".

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"On December 8, last year,

national newspaper and tele-vision editors were invited to Buckingham Palace where they were specifically asked not to

intrude on the privacy of the

"The appeal was sympa-thetically received and widely

reported by editors. The Daily Star said the Queen and Prince

Charles were concerned at the pressure being put on the

Princess by photographers and were anxious she should be

free to enjoy some private life.
"The Sun, whose editor, Mr

Kelvin MacKenzie, was the only national newspaper editor who did not accept the Palace in-vitation, headed its report

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saye the Palace. It quoted the Oueen's press secretary, Mr Michael Shea, as saying the Princess felt totally be-

the surreptitious taking and the publishing of these long-range

pictures of the Princess of Wales on a beach when she was five months pregnant and wearing a bikini was a gross intrusion into her personal

privacy.

The Press Council says that The Sun said in its leading article the day after the photographs were published that it was deeply sorry if it had offended the Royal Family.

"The council considers that apology' was made worthless and The Sun's offence seriously aggravated by two matters: Firstly The Sun regulationed the offending pictures along-

felt unable to grant the full increase demanded by the levy board (Michael Seely writes).

Mr Whitelaw probably feels that if the levy were increased too much, the law of diminish-ing returns would continue to operate with detrimental effect on all sides of the industry. The increase is likely to be in the region of £2.5m.

There is no doubt that the racing industry will be disap-pointed. The 1982 prize money scheme will probably go ahead as planned, but there will be doubts over increases for 1983.

guard the Grand National at The levy board and the Aintree. That issue was dis-Jockey Club will also have to take a hard look future projects for improving courses. Fortunately, the re-development of Cheltenham is complete and the rebuilding of the Haydock Park stands is already underway.

> The authorities were also eager to devote more funds to veterinary research into virus infeccions, but until full details of Mr Whitelaw's decision are available, it is impossible to say how much these projects will be affected.

> > **FIVE ON**

HIJACKING

CHARGE

By Michael Horsnell

The five men, who remained

Magistrates' Court, Essex, were

Police said later that no one else would be charged in con-

nexion with the incident, which

happened during an internal flight in Tanzania last Friday and ended with the release of

The charge against the men

who include two pairs of

brothers, accused them of sciz-

ing control of an Air Tanzania

Boeing 737 by threatening to injure passengers and crew.

Salaam, who arrived at court from Essex police headquar-ters with blankets over their

heads, were: Yassia Membar, aged 21, unemployed; Moses Lee Membar, aged 24, a tam driver; Mobamed Ali Abdallah, aged 25, a tyre fitter; Abdallah Ali Abdallah, aged 21, a student, and Mohammed Tahir Ahmed, aged 21, also a student.

Mr Wanume Kibdi, for the

Mr Wanume Kibdi, for the defendants made no objection to the remand in custody of the five men. Mr James Sabine, chairmon of the magistrates, granted legal aid subject to documentation.

The men, who were wearing anoraks and running shoes had the charges translated for

All but the aircraft's co-pilot, who was wounded during the hijack, and 14 passengers who have been granted permission to stay temporarily with rela-

in England, returned

tives in Engla home yesterday.

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The five, all from Dar es

the hostages on Sunday.

official reception.

optimistic over 'Times'

(Natsopa), the union most affected by Mr Rupert Mur-doch's planned cuts in manning at The Times and The Sunday

in negotiations, which are be-ing carried out at branch and chapel (union office branch) level. These talks are to conrinue later today on company proposals for cuts in clerical areas, where 210 employees dundancy notices.

Although the decision autho rizing intervention by national officers could be seen as increasing pressure on local union representatives, it was apparently approved at yesterday's meeting without serious challenge from lay members of the executive, including Mr Barry Fitzpatrick, father shop steward of The Sunday Times clerical chapel. Mr O'Brien said after the morning session of the 23-man executive that support for the move had been

overwhelming". Mr O'Brien added that he remained optimistic of an agreement and indicated that it could come before the end of

It was nevertheless clear last night in both union and man-Five Tanzanians appeared in agement indications that tough court yesterday as the victims of the Air Tanzania Boeing 737 hijacking flew home from and detailed negotiations re-main before the two sides can be sure of an agreement in Stansted Airport, Essex, to an clerical departments. It was here that management had set out to seek about 330 out of silent throughout the five the total planned cuts in fulltime jobs of 600. The management have refused to confirm remanded in custody for eight chapel claims that the clerical

> Mr O'Brien explained that the executive decision meant that the union would not now intervened

explain to the executive their sgreement reached last week mittee of Natsopa is under deal earlier this week.

Observer, announced yesterday that a consortium had been formed to set up a new publishing company "to ensure the survival of a publication that continues the traditions, editorial independence and the integrity of The Times in the event of Mr Murdoch closing that newspaper".

Among its members are Mr.

Among its members are Mr
David Dimbleby, the broadcaster and newspaper publisher; Mr Peter Jay, chairman of TVAM, former British
Ambassador to the United
States and former economics
editor of The Times; Mr Jack
Jones, the former general secretary of the Transport and
General Workers' Union and General Workers' Union and Mr Robert Loder, vice-chair-map of Ezperanza Ltd.

Union chief By Donald Macintyre

The executive of the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel at The Times and The Sunday
Times yesterday gave its senior
national officers full authority
to intervene directly in the
negotiations if necessary.
Mr Owen O'Brien, the union's
general secretary, said last
night that he would step in
only in the event of a deadlock
in negotiations, which are be-

A government ban on lead in cuts now being sought total

have to call a special executive before he and senior colleagues Representatives of The Sun-

day Times night machine chapel and Times Newspapers day machine chapel will today sgreenent reached and with management providing for the ending of 168 shifts. The London machine branch comstood not to have approved the

Mr David Astor, nephew of the former editor of The Observer, announced yesterday

Mr Crump told the jury that arrangements at the police station included daily liaison with community leaders. The trial was adjourned until today.

links with computers used by other Government departments such as the Department of Inland Revenue and the Department of Health and Social Security. MIS's computers, two of the largest models made by International Computers Limited in Britain.

Anti-black

denied by

CID chief

By David Nicholson-Lord A senior police officer yes-

terdsy described as totally unfair allegations that police in south London had taken sides against blacks, failed to protect them and turned a blind each of the sides against blacks.

sides against blacks, range to protect them and turned a blind eye to their complaints.

Det Chief Supt Raymond Crump told a jury at the Central Criminal Court that officers would be dismissed immediately if they ignored attacks on black people. He rejected a claim by Mr Rudy Narayan, for the defence, that police records of racial assault were "not worth the paper they are written on".

Mr Crump, CID head at Croydon, outlined to the jury special arrangements made to interview young black suspects after an alleged riot around a public house in Thornton Heath last June and the ensuing murder of Terence May, 19, a disabled white youth who died from stab-wounds.

died from stab-wounds.

He said there had been "tit for tat" violence between young gangs of blacks and whites on the two nights before Mr May's murder. After that night police were so worried about protecting blacks that "we had to call in the Special Patrol Group Seven of the 15 accused deny murdering Mr May and deny

murdering Mr May and deny rior and affray. Four deny riot

and affray and four deny riot. The defence has alleged that

the Wilton Arms, in Thornton Heath, was a base from which white skinheads mounted at-tacks on blacks, Earlier a black

prosecution witness alleged he had told "lies and rubbish" to police about the disturbances and Mr May's death be-

cause they had threatened to charge him with murder. Mr Orden Simpson, aged 17,

of Kensington Avenue, Thornton Heath, was the third witness to deny his police statements and to be treated

as hostile by the Crown. He was admonished by the judge for "impertinence" in the witness box. He said he made up rubbish because he wanted to go home and because police had told him he would

He agreed that his solicitor had been with him throughout

the police interview and that he had signed the statement

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cost £20m and have been installed over the past four years in Mount Row in Mayfair, close to MIS's headquarters in the old Department of Education building in Curzon Street. Yesterday Mr Richard Sharpe, editor of Computing, said the computers, both ICL model 2980s, were able to store sizable records on each adult and child in the country.

"We have some evidence that the computers are linked to

the computers are linked to the other ministries", he said. Although the Government, cleared he said, had always denied mittee.

The columns of The Lancet are not for the layman. However, occasionally the forbidding letters to the editor about unknown virus infections, treatments for ulcers and trials of some new cancer therapy are leavened with something of lighter In the latest issue this is provided by Dr Richard Roberts, a specialist in genetic screening in Texas. His contribution to the progress of medical science is to report an effective tracks. weight.

Science report

Taking

the heat

out of

a chilli

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

gress or medical science is to report an effective treat-ment for some culinary mis-fortunes with the powerful pods of the genus Capsicum, more commonly recognized by most of us as chilies.

by most of us as childes.

Dr Roberts recounts his dilemma of working in West Africa. After a year of progressively losing weight due to avoiding highly spicet food, he had to find a remedy. His adjustment came when the Togolese taught him their way of dousing the flames kindled by chilli. This was to take a quick bite of banana, a treatby chilli. This was to take a quick bite of banana, a treatment which, he says, is little known in the United States.

But Dr Roberts' dilemma did not end there. Rather more, it was the beginning. For an aversion to spiced foods became an addiction and on returning to the United States he adapted American cuisine to the more fiery type he had been used to in Togo by the addition of pickled jalapeno peoper, a variety of the chilli family that has migrated across the Mexican border.

border.

A legacy of this assault on the taste buds is that recently Dr Roberts has been afflicted by one of the more unromantic illuesses referred to generally as "irritable bowel syndrome". Barium studies, duodenal biopsy and sigmoidoscopy were endured—first, however, before he reluctantly stopped eating jalapenos. ialapenos.

The symptoms promptly disappeared. Twelve times he has tried reintroducing them and every time an attack has followed. Now he is seeking a remedy, other than abstinence.

MI5 computer 'may link to personal records'

computer system that records were passed capable of holding records on every individual in Britain has between different departments, the ministerial brief for MIS did specify that the security been bought by MIS, according to the latest edition of Computing magazine published today. The magazine also claims the system may have service should collect compre hensive records on security The Ministry of Defence said: These computers are in use in the intelligence field and we cannot say any more " MP's security quiz

Mr Walter Harrison, Labour's deputy chief whip, yesterday sent a questionnaire to about 100 Labour MPs asking for details about secretaries and research assistants appoin ted since the start of this year. (Anthony Bevins writes). He suggests that the growing employment of research assistants poses a security threat. That comes after a report that foreign spymasters might be using research assistants for

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intelligence activities at Westminster.
But in spite of the fact that there seems to be no security vetting of such employees, Mr Harrison's letter had not been cleared by the security com-

ANOTHER WAY TO BAN LEAD

By Our Science Editor

petrol might come eventually, But not for the reasons that lie behind efforts of the recently formed Campaign for Lead-Free Air. Action is more likely of stricter standards on other exhaust gases from cars which can cause smog, for those form one of the few increasing sources of air pollution.
The rise in emissions is due simply to the increase in the

car population. The pollution can be cut by inserting a cata-

lyst in the exhaust pipe to break down the gaseous compounds into a harmless form, as is done in the United States. However, petrol must be un-leaded, or the metallic particles quickly destroy the catalyst. The steady rise of polluting gases over the past 10 years from cars in Britain is recorded in new information published by the Government today in Digest of Environmental Pollu-tion and Water Statistics. The digest shows a steady improve-ment in many aspects of air pollution, water quality, radio-active discharges, oil pollution, and waste disposal in Britain. On air pollution, the amount of smoke and sulphur dioxide from urban and industrial chimneys is gradually declining. But the emissions of nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons from motor cars has increased in direct proportion to the size in direct proportion to the rise in

uel consumption.
Although there was an increase of 13 per cent in petrol consumption since 1973, lead emissions have fallen by 11 per cent, following the reduction in the maximum amount of lead permitted in petrol.

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TEACHERS TO FIGHT **OVER PAY**

By a Staff Reporter A teachers' union leader last night uhreatened industrial action efter pay talks broke

The management side of the Burnham Committee refused to improve a 3.4 per cent wage offer to 450,000 teachers in England and Wales. It also refused a union request for the dispute to go to arbitration.

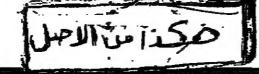
Mr Terence Casey, general secretary of the National Asso-ciation of Schoolmasters/Union of Women Teachers, said the union executive would be asked on Friday to approve in-dustrial action. The National Union of

Teachers' executive also meets on Friday. Mr Fred Jarvis, its general secretary said:
"The management must now face the prospect of a very lationship between teachers and their employers". It is understood that the employers wanted further talks within the Burnham Com-

mittee. The unions were seek ing between 11 and 12 per cent pay rises to keep up with inflation.

Industrial action could in-volvea ban on cooperation with school meals and out-of-school





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The panoramic view of London denied to its people for more than 70 years





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The bastions of the City are falling. Last night the Queen opened the Barbican Arts Centre, introducing the public to new and splendid views of the Square Mile which The Times featured earlier this week. (David Hewson writes). Today M Jacques Chirac, the French opposition leader, will stand 140ft above the dark and churning waters of the Thames and see this pamorama. It is a sight which has been barred to the public for 71 years, but the privacy of the eyrie, from which Bill Warhurst took this photograph will soon be a thing of the past.

HMS Belfast, on the left, points a battery at the Isle of Dogs. A little farther along, the Post Office Tower peers above rost Unice Tower peers above its lesser neighbours and across to St Paul's Cathedral: On the right, the NatWest tower dwarfs all. A gathering of tourists contemplate Traitors Gate, with the Tower itself beyond. The vantage point is one of the two iron walkways of Tower Bridge, built on the orders of a Parliament which demanded that the busy Victorian should be able to proceed across the river unimpeded when the bridge is raised

But the bridge mechanism worked so quikly and efficiently that as soon as the 1,000-ton bascule leaves started to rise, crowds preferred to watch the spectacle, and shunned the quicker route. In 1911 an ungrateful public was relegated to the footpaths across the bridge and entry to the struc-ture's vast inner workings has been restricted to its employees

On June 30 all that will change. The bridge has been renovated for £5m, five times its original cost, and the masses will be welcomed back with open arms (£1.60 at the door please, half price for children and pensioners). The City Corporation expects between 500,000 and 750,000 visitors a year, which would put the bridge behind the Tower itself and Westminster Abbey in the league table of the capital's most popular attractions open to tourists.

A few creature comforts have been installed for the visitor of the 1980s. The walkways have been enclosed in glass, with portholes for photographers, and centrally heated. Modern lifts have been installed. After taking in the views and accompanying

to a museum which houses the great steam engines and accumulators which once powered the

Today the bridge rises and falls by courtesy of the London Electricity Board, its staff has fallen to 15, and dull blue electrical apparatus sits in its belly. Unlike its predecessor, the machinery has been known to break down.

When the public returns to the bridge on June 30, it will be greeted by two China clippers, a Royal Navy minesweeper, a band and other motley festivities.

Crash driver 'sent home mate and ignored signal'

The driver of a maintenance train who sent home his assistant driver had exceeded assistant driver had exceeded the speed limit and gone through a red light before crashing into the back of a mail train at East Croydon in January, a Department of Transport inquiry into the crash was told yesterday.

Mr Stephen Walton, aged 28, the driver, whose lower left leg had to be amputated seven haours after the crash to free him from the week-

to free him from the wreckage, is still intensive care six weeks later. His condition is

weeks later. His condition is improving and he is expected to give evidence to the inquiry later.

Mr Nicholas Rowles, aged 23, his assistant driver, has been disciplined by British Rail for not being on the train. He was suspended for find dres with loss of pay. five days with loss of pay.

He fold the inquiry at Fairfield Halls, Croydon that after they had clocked on Mr Walton told him to go home. "I remember saying some-thing about what happens if the train is cancelled," Mr Rewies said, but the driver had told him that it would be all right. "I think he was just

trying to be friendly."

Mr Rowles, who said he had never before simply clocked on and gone home, said he had sat in his car for

10 minutes wondering what

to do then driven home. He was woken at 5am and told ballast train is moving".

Mr Donald Stewart, aged

wall as the train crashed, said wan as the train, while keeping within its 45 mph speed limit, had been travelling "pretty steady". It had left Three Bridges late, "I thought we were trying to make up some time."

35mph. The inquiry heard that a 20mph temporary speed limit was in force on the approach to the station.

it passed his signal box.

Mr Richard Budgen, aged its approach to East Croydon "no responsibility to station, said the driver of his ever for the accident".

locomotive said to him: "That

was woken at 5am and told about the crash.

Other witnesses said that the maintenance train, the East Croydon signal the East Croydon signal mam, said the approach signal before the station was at red because the Brighton to London Bridge mail train had just passed it and had stopped at the station.

His indicators showed the signal to be red, with warning signals further down the line. He would have expected we wall as the train is moving."

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Mr Walton to stop at the red signal and telephone him. Instead, the train continued into the station and smashed into the back of the mail train.

British Rail technical ex-As it approached East tests had shown there was no Croydon station, he said, he estimated the speed at about apparent defects in the

Major Anthony King chairman of the inquiry, said he had now to interview Mr Mr Kenneth Bradley, aged 35, a signalman at South Croydon, said the train had been travelling "faster than one would have expected" as it passed his signal box.

Mr Richard Budgen, ages 39, an operating depot super-visor at Croydon, who passed that as far as British Rail official said that as far as British Rail was concerned Mr Rowles had the maintenance train during that as far as British Rail was concerned Mr Rowles had the maintenance train during that as far as British Rail was concerned Mr Rowles had the maintenance train during that as far as British Rail was concerned Mr Rowles had the maintenance train during that as far as British Rail was concerned Mr Rowles had the maintenance train during that are set of the said that as far as British Rail official said that are set of the said that as far as far as British Rail official said that are set of the said

'Times' interview

Sir William wears all the caps that fit

By Bryan Appleyard

To those who know him almost anything Sir William Rees-Mogg took on would be unsurprising. His reputation as a polymath is well established on the basis of his disconcerting habit of displaying profound know-

ledge in unexpected and it has it has to be said that his impending chairmanship of the Arts Council, announced is offering few clues as to his intentions. He is discreet about the past work of the Arts Council; but the one area of his future activities which he does discuss reveals of one of its of eighteenth century litera-ture, an interest in the arts is something he has generally left to others to cultivate. Combine that with the fact

that Mr Paul Channon, the Arts Minister, was known to have been looking for a businessman to fill the post and, in spite of Sir William's and, in spite of Sir William server experience as a director of GEC, and his insuitability would appear to be absolute. With typical elegant diffidence he is the first to admit to his shortcomings: "I am less of a businessman than a pure businessman might be and less of an arts man than a pure arts man might be "

man might be."
The rationale, however, follows with equally typical conviction: "But I am involved in both areas and would add to that the third leg of what the Arts Council has to do; it has to be able to establish public relations with the sponsoring departments and with the press and the media."

Sir William was speaking seated in a battered, bentwood rocking chair which would be familiar to Times men of more than a year's standing. It is now housed in the offices of Pickering & Chatto, the Bloomsbury anti-quarian book dealer of which he is proprietor. Again, disconcertingly, this is not set in an elegant Georgian terrace but in the brutal

Last week a rival publi-cation inferred that this a number of magistrates are variety of roles was too much very concerned about it."

The decision should be reckoned without the dis-

Cultural side of the BBC

"I am fascinated by the way things interact, for instance through GEC I have tried to get an understanding of what is happening in electronics. That very much fits in with questions of how publication containing re-ports of Scottish crime and court, cases is needed to BBC. Through the BBC I am very interested in the cul-tural side of the BBC'S output. This fits directly into the work I shall be doing at the Arts Council. Of the things that the Arts Council does I regard literature, though not one of the things which is likely at any point to get the biggest funding, as very important.
"So, although I do wear a

considerable number of hats actually they do interact in a way which I think does bring is room in our system for people that act as links strive to do a more difficult people that act as links strive to do a more difficult money being put between different bits of the thing which is to bring the fund, it was alleged.

The trial was adjourned quality."

For the Arts Council this neo-Augustan mandarin is unlikely to be the calming experience they may at first expect. At the BBC he has already established himself as a governor with the unique qualification of actu-

which he does discuss reveals
a perception of one of its
most significant deficiencies.
"Without making any
comments about the past I
would hope to establish a
very open relationship with
the press. Most of my experience of dealing with the press — mostly over crises at The Times actually - tells me that far more harm is done by people who will not talk frankly than by

the mistakes you make if you do talk frankly.."
But as for the faintly fantastic mixture of Sir William and the wilder left-wing extravagancies financed by the Arts Council, his position appears to be one of traditional Tory tolerance, though with some regrets.



"There is the same prob-lem at the BBC, the liveliest playwrights for television belong to the left and some to the far-left. I would be perfectly willing to have the BBC put on pretty right-wing plays if pretty right-wing plays come up. I should very much like it, for instance, if somebody came up with a play which saw the police as a heroic body battling against the forces of disorder and corruption within our society. I think it is about time somebody did write such a

'As for the various arts are which I rush out and buy."

Finally his general strategy

Compensation reform sought

veyors is to meet Mr J A ment then ensue. Often, it is christopher, the Inland Revenue's chief valuer, on forced to settle for sums March 15 to press for lower than they might changes in the compensation eventually have recieved procedures when land is because they cannot afford

procedures when land is compulsorily purchased. Dr Malcolm Bell, principl secretary in the NFU's parliamentary division, says there are hundreds of cases like that of Mr John AllenStevens who, as reported in The Times last Monday, has been waiting nearly four years for settlement of his claim after a new bypass was built across his farm.

A delegation from the National Farmers' Union, the Country Landowners Association and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surwhich is about market value of the land.

Months or years of arguing off motorways.

A small landowners are Both the department and local authorities, as well as statutory undertakings wisity boards,

to wait any longer.

There is provisions for arbitration by the Land Tribunal, but many landowners are deterred by the potential expense. One suggested reform is

the establishment of a special small claims court to hear compensation cases. Another is to restrict the power of built across his farm.

The NFU and the CLA agree on most of the critisisms. The first and most important is the sheer time it takes to agree a figure with the district valuer who, another grievance is the valuer who, wards in the power and bought from a willing seller. In fact, he points out, sellers are usually very unwilling. A little more generosity to landowners would not, it is said, hurt the taxpayer unduly.

such statutory undertakings as gas and electricity boards, usually disclaim any re-sponsibility for damage cauced by contractors. That

can involve landowners in expensive litigation against an elusive quarry. Dr Bell also questions the fairness of the Land Compen-sation Act, 1961, which states

that land acquired by com-pulsory purchase must be valued as though it were

Nature trails from rubbish tips

By Hugh Clayton, Environment Correspondent

Ecologists believe that rubbish tips may have a more promising future as nature trails than as cornfields or nousing estates. "I think we can argue that it can be the cheapest and most con-venient solution", Mr David Parker, an officer with the environmintal advisory unit at Liverpool University, said

yesterday.
Speaking at a conference of the Institution of Municipal Dugineers in London, he offered an alluring vision in which butterflies fluttered over the remains of countless cans and toothpaste tubes while warblers nested over

BLACKMAIL

CLAIM IN

FRAUD CASE

From Our Correspondent

Julie Goodyear, the Coron-

ation Street actress, was blackmailed by a former boy friend, a jury was told

yesterday.
Mr William Clarke made the allegation at Manchester Crown Court where the actress and two other women

deny conspiracy to defraud the public over a charity

competition.

Clarke, who has already admitted fraud, was being questioned about a piece of paper which he said contained the name and address

in Weston-Super-Mare of the

actress's former boy friend. Clarke handed the paper to

Judge Gerrard, saying that it was in Miss Goodyear's handwriting and that she had

asked him to visit the

When asked if it was the

name of a man to whom Miss

Goodyear had been engaged

he replied "Yes, and he was blackmailing her". Mr Harold Singer, counsel for Miss Goodyear, alleged Clarke was trying to "Get in

another dig" at the actress.

"You are forcing me to do that", Clarke replied.

The prosecution alleges that Miss Goodyear, aged 39, of Rochdale Road East,

Heywood, Manchester, Janet

Ross, aged 28, of Berwick Road, Blackpool, and Victo-

ria Montague, aged 24, of

Lancashire, were part of a conspiracy to defaud the public,

It has been claimed that a

competition to raise cash for

a cancer research fund did

money being put back into

office memoranda.
"The bramble is a valuable flowers can support substantial numbers". Mr Parker said. "The bramble will also plosions in buildings on attract people to pick black-berries in the autumn". rubbish sites. Dr Graham

A rubbish tip or disused gravel pit could be restored to provide gently-sloping woodland walks interspersed with open glades. The variegated landscape would be necessary because trees would not grow on those parts of the tip where explosive methane gas was close to the surface.

the shredded remains of Mr Alan Parker, of the waste research unit at the Atomic Energy Research Establish-

> Dr Graham Parry, director of the Liverpool unit, ex-plained that slow underground decomposition could produce methane which would kill farm crops on the surface by starving their roots of oxygen. "It is a nice idea to consider the reclamation of landfill sites for agriculture, but it is not without its problems."

Communion by woman defended

By Clifford Longley Religious Affairs Correspondent

The Anglican Bishop of

ne Angican Bisnop of Newark, New Jersey, has rejected criticism by the Bishop of London, Dr Graham Leonard, of a Holy Communion service celebrated by a woman priest in St Paul's Deanery, London. The Rt Rev John Spong, a bishop of the Epsicopal Church of America, told his congregation in Trinity Cathedral, Newark, that Dr Leonard was stretching the concept of the established church to breaking point.

The Church of England has declined to ordain women, and does not allow women ordained elsewhere to offi-ciate as priests in England. The Rev Elizabeth Canham was licensed to officiate in

the United States by Bishop Spong in December.

She then came to England and celebrated the eucharist at the deanery of St Paul's, in private. Dr Leonard deplored this, saying that the

service was illegal. The Very Rev Alan Webster, Dean of St Paul's, said the service had taken place with his consent, and he did not accept that it was illegal.

the Dean's consent to it, including "legalistic argu-ments" preduced to criticize it. He went on to criticize the Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie for sup-porting Dr Leonard

The Movement for the Ordination of Minnen is believed to be planning a private communion service conducted by a woman priest from overseas to be attended by a diocesan bishop.

A private member's motion. has been tabled in the General Synod of the Church England which would life the ban on women priests from overseas officiating in

Lawyers oppose new powers for courts

duce on March 29, will be debated by MPs examining the Criminal Justice Bill in committee today. The Law Society has written to all members of the committee setting out its opposition to the measure which, it be-lieves, will increase the number of offenders in already "grossly overcrowded" prisons.

ed" prisons.

More offenders will be sentenced to immediate imprisonment because courts suspended sentences will now the public and the Home and envisions the world as a be tempted to give offenders stroke, be able to undermine at a seamless web, an ultimately stroke, be able to undermine intelligible system. says and many offenders who would have been given a short immediate prison term will be given a term, part of which will be suspended and

The society adds that in the opinion of its criminal law committee, it is "wrong in principle for an offender A monthly government

Initially, the new powers will apply only to offenders highly selective reporting of aged 21 and over who are the subject, a report from aged 21 and over who are the subject, a report from sentenced to not less than six Glasgow University's Departments and not more than ment of Sociology said yestwo years in prison. Courts terday (Dayid Hewson and It has able to greened) months and not more than two years in prison. Courts will be able to suspend between one quarter and three quarters of the sen-

Provisions in the Criminal tence. Justice Bill are intended to make the use of partlysuspended sentences more fiexible.

The society has also expressed concern over another measure in the Bill which has aroused opposition it one, or crime in Scotland.

among others, the Legal Bias in Newspapers Crime Relation Group, the laywers' ports (Jason Ditton and James pressure group: the measure Duffy, Glasgow University).

pressure group: the measure

By Frances Gibb

The Government's new to relax the eight-day remand powers for judges and magis-rule so that it will no longer trates to suspend part of a be necessary to bring prisprison sentence, to relieve oners on remand before prison overcrowding, are being opposed by the Law Society, the solicitors' professional body.

fessional body.

The powers, which the Government intends to introduce on March 29, will be received a terrace but in the brutal concrete structure known as the Home Section of the Brunswick Control of the Brunswick Contr empowers the Home Sected and the Brunswick Centre.

retary, in an emergency, to release prisoners. Lady Ralphs, chairman, said:
"There are principles deeply valued in our system of justice which should not be undermined in a time of crisis. This measure allows crisis. This measure allows a daily newspaper. the executive to set aside a decision of the judiciary and

> submitted to Parliament, she tinctly eighteenth century said. "Law and order is bent of Sir William's mind established by the artitude of which can unite the disparate

the practice of the law."
Sir Nicholas Bonsor, Conservative MP for Nantwich, is expected to table an amendment to meet the associactivated if the offender ation's objections when the commits another offence. clause is debated in committee today.

'Straight' report call

Bishop Spone's statement to leave prison with a publication containing reclaims that the event than over his or her head". counterbalance the media's

> writes). The authors of the report, said that crimes involving sex and violence appeared more frequently in newspapers than their occurrence would They recommend that the

Scottish Home and Health Department implement an independent channel of information on the "true picture"

more likely to fare under his chairmanship, there is first, of course, literature, although: "I do not find that the novels that Auberon Waugh reviews are novels Ballet had better look out: 'Dance I am not good at."
Opera and music should be safe, and theatre is fine. As ria Montague, aged 24, of for painting, he has learnt Gloucester Street, Atherton, much from his sister who Lancashire, were part of a teaches art.

is clear enough: "I think all the time we must try to broaden the appreciation of way which I think does bring knowledge and experience from one to the other. There is room in our system for

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Up to 7,000 young people are to be offered Outward Bound type courses with the armed forces, Mr John Nott, Secretary of State for Defence, announced in a statement in the Commons. The

free. Mr Nott also gave details of his proposals to expand the reserve proposals to expand the reserve forces. Mr Nott said: In the White Paper Mr Nott said: In the White Paper in June setting out the conclusions of my defence review, I said that the Government was determined to give greater emphasis to the reserve forces, and that we intended to expand the strength of the Territorial Army steadily from 70,000 to 85,000 men and women.

Our first priority must be to improve the operational efficiency, equipment, accompage

Our first priority must be to improve the operational efficiency, equipment, accommodation and structure of the present Territorial Army. As the House know, in the coming financial year we are providing for an increase in the average number of man training days to 42 for independent units and if this increase is used effectively it will enable the TA to achieve a this increase is used effectively it will enable the TA to achieve a higher standard of training overall. We shall also be allowing selected units to recruit up to 3,500 above their establishment—"overbear" where they can make good use of the extra numbers. We shall be raising new units. These will include the equivalent of two new recognition of Royal We shall be raising new units. These will include the equivalent of two new regiments of Royal Engineers for home defence tasks - that issix squadrons in all. One extra company each will be raised for the Royal Irish Rangers, the 51st Highland Volunteers and the Royal Regiment of Wales. Reconnaisssance platoons will be formed for 15 of the lufantry battalions with Nato role and signals rear link detachments will be provided to those Nato battalions which require them.

In addition, better use will be made of existing units through reorganisation. The infantry division based in Britam which will reinforce BAOR on mobilisation will include two brigades formed largely from TA combat increase in expenditure on the require and new training to the manual provides one additional support for them in 1982-83, including an increase in expenditure on the requirement.

division based in Britain which will reinforce BAOR on mobilisation will include two brigades formed largely from TA combat units. This division will also rely for its logistic support on a regiment's worth of TA logistic units based in Scotland and the North of England. For home defence, the pressing need for improved reconnaissance will be improved reconnaissance will be

regiments.

The expanded Territorial Army must have suitable accommodation and wquipment for its very demanding task. Twelve new Territorial Army centres will be started this year and existing accommodation will be modernised and improved. Issues of Milan anti-tank weapons and Clansman rakios are proceeding well and that of the eight tonne truck has just started. The Law anti-armour wiapon and the new anti-armour wiapon and the new small arms for the 1990s will be issued early to TA units assigned to BAOR.

The addition of an obligatory service charge to hotel and restaurant bills resulted in a multi-million pound fiddle which robbed staff and conned cus-

tomers, Mr George Robertson (Hamilton, Lab) said.

He was given leave to intro-duce the Hotels and Restaurants (Control of Service Charge) which would regulate the admin-

istration of service charges in hotels and restaurants and for

He said it was a simple, uncontroversial measure designed to produce justice for

connected purposes.

I would also like to announce the creation of a new home service force which we plan to atart by early September as a polit scheme. It will be linked to the TA and will consist largely of men with considerable regular service experience. The Force will provide assistance to the regular forces in time of tension and war particularly in the guarding of vital United Kingdom installations.

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A total of four trial companies will be raised in Scotland and Eastern, Western and South Eastern Districts. If the scheme is successful I envisage that the strength of the force could reach some 4,500.

We must be able to mobilise the preservists rapidly. The new

We must be able to mobilise our reservists rapidly. The new computer-based individual reinforcement plan halves the time needed to mobilise our regular reservists. In last year's exercise more than 90 per cent of reservists reported and we shall build on this major success so that the scheme will eventually cover more than 50,000 men and women.

cover more than 50,000 men and women.

We shall go ahead with reequipping the Royal Naval reserve. Two of its three highly effective mine-hunters have alteredy undergone major refits and the third is currently doing so. We aim to replace the RNR's mine-sweepers by new vessels — Fleet mine-sweepers — at the earliest opportunity; and I can confirm to the House that we are now taking fresh tender action and that orders for the first batch of four will be placed this year.

increase in expenditure on essential work services and new

essential work services and new huts.

The significance of reserve service lies not just in the extra military capability which it gives, vital though this is: Just as important is the demonstration which it provides of the British people's commitment to their own security. The defence of our nation must be seen to depend not only on the quality of our elite professional armed services but also on a widespread of popular commitment to our national defence. Most important here are our young people who have little opportunity to come into contact with our regular armed services — a high proportion of whom serve in Her Majesty's ships or abroad.

Due to the very low numbers

It could be used in any way the

management desired, including the padding out of the disgrace-fully low wage laid down by the

This was outrageous skimming off of cash as it affected both customers and staff and the staff had no right to know how much had been collected of how it had been distributed.

What was to stop the manage

Service charge fiddles in hotels

I would also like to announce reduction in recruit intakes,

reduction in recruit intakes, there is currently some spare capacity in the training establishments of all three services.

I have, therefore, examined a number of possibilities for temporarily filling our excess capacity and have decided on the following scheme. My intention is to offer up to 7,000 young people a sbort two or three week period with each of the armed services starting from the middle of April this, year. The courses and all travelling will be free.

Young men and women would apply through recruiting offices and would undertake courses with service instructors covering a range of activities

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The courses will be short but I
hope that a period of mixing with
service instructors will give the
young people concerned an
misight into service life.

The expansion of the TA and
the RAF reserves, the creation of
a pilot scheme for a new home
service force, the continuing
success of the Royal Naval and
Royal Marine reserves who are
fully up to strength, and the
more rapid system for the
assembly of our regular reservists will combine, I believe, to
form a useful strengthening of
our defences.

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The modest, whosly voluntary, scheme that I have announced for young people will I hope prove to be a success.

Mr John Silkin, Chief Opposition mr John Silkin, Chier Opposition spokesman, on defence and disarmament, said the "modest, wholly vofuntary scheme" for young people was not as ambitious as they had been led to believe by the leaks in the press. This was a reserve forces statement, not very

statement, not very revolutionary, not very large, and it was surprising to note that it had been made by the Secretary of State himself and not by a

junior minister.

There was a reason for this —
the realization on both sides of
the House that there is alarm and
fear and worry about the cost of
the Trident programme and its
effect upon the convertional effect upon the conventional defence of this island.

In Mr Nott's press release on February 25, it was shown that total recruitment for the armed total recruitment for the armed forces was down by 54 per cent in the last half of 1981, against the last half of 1980. The recruitment of Royal Naval officers had decreased in number by 50 per cent in the same period. Royal Naval ratings had decreased by 87 per cent. The Army was down by 55 per cent and the RAR down by 25 per and the RAF down by 25 per

The whole of the statement was a smokescreen to prevent the House from understanding what is being done to the conventional forces of this country?

Mr Note I decided to give the statement myself because in the Defence White Paper which we published last June we laid considerable emphasis on the need to extend our reserve forces.

When Mr Silkin had said the scheme for young people was not as ambitious as some newspapers Majesty's stups or abroad.
Due to the very low numbers leaving the armed services at present and the consequential



had predicted, it was not clear whether he would have liked it to be more or less ambitious.

I was hoping at one time (he went on) that we could have a more ambitious scheme. One of the ideas we considered was for using it as part of the youth employment arrangements but this was met by opposition of the Manpower Services. Commission and so we did not proceed with that more ambitious scheme.

The services now contained far

that more ambitious scheme.

The services now contained far greater number than they did when Labour left office. The last quarterly figures showed the outflow from the services — numbers leaving — was lower than at any time since conscription, and that was something one should be pleased about, because it indicated there was a highly trained professional service.

It was because out-flow from It was because out-flow from the services was so low that recruiting this year would be about 23,000 for all three services rather than a higher figure that would be expected if retentions had not been so high.

Sir Philip Goodhart (Bromley, Beckenham, C): Is there any intention to increase the number of regular officers and NGOs attached to TA units?

Mr Nott: We are creating specialist training teams and recruitin teams which will be composed of regular soldiers, NCOs and officers, to try to help improve the training, recruitment and efficiency of the existing TA. and efficiency of the existing TA.

Mr Alan Beith (Berwick-uponTweed, L): We welcome the
strengthening of the TA. The
youth scheme can only be
described as an adventure holiday scheme. There can be
nothing to which anyone can
take exception, but for the fact
that the Government is unable to
tackle the major problem of
three million unemployed.

Mr Nott: I called it a modest scheme and I am not making huge claims for it. If it is popular among young people it will prove to be useful. I do not put it any higher than that.

Sir Hector Mouro (Dumfries, C), a former member of the auxiliary air force, said: All auxiliaries will be delighted at their expanding role in the future defence of this country, in view of the great success of the Auwiliary squad-

Newspaper

a misuse of

GLC funds



Silkin: Alarm and fear

hope of a flying role? Mr Nott: There is not at present a plan to use the auxiliary air force in a flying role.

rons in the last war is there any

in a flying role.

Mr Patrick Duffy (Sheffield, Attercliffe, Lab): Since at least 50 per cent of the combat forces available to Allied Command Europe in time of conflict will come from reserves, is it not imperative that Britain's contributions to those reserves are credible? Will he say a word about the retention rate in the second year of the TA? Is he satisfied with the quality of the current training and equipment of the volunteer reserve — both crucial?

involving many thousands of our reservists for the reinforcement of our regular divisions on the Rhine, was an enarmous success. It was thought by all our Nato allies to have gone remarkably well and has greatly increased the confidence of Nato in our ability to reinforce and reinforce rapidly.

Mr Robert Brown (Newcastle upon Tyne, West, Lab): The short course for young people is a measure of the utter bankruptcy of this Government's policies.
Why not think about spending
some money to improve the
efficiency of the TA?

Mr Nott: That is exactly what we are doing. We will be spending an additional £12m in the next financial year on the TA, over and above what had originally been intended, and over the bext three or four years we are increasing expenditure on the TA by about £50m.

Mr Frank Allan (Salford, East, Lab): Is the ministry spending movey on the youth scheme out of the goodness of its heart or is it because this is a prelude to compulsory national service for the unemployed:

Mr Nott: It is nothing to do with national service or conscription.
It is voluntary. It is likely to generate quite a lot of interest particularly in his part of the country.

Mr Note said later that the youth scheme probably cost about £1,500,000.

Peers press for third world aid

OVERSEAS AID

economic problems unless it did all it could to solve the economic problems of the third world, all it could to solve the economic problems of the third world, Lord Oram, for the Opposition, said in opening a debate on the deteriorating situation of less developed countries, the Brandt report and the Government's response.

He said that by calling attention to the need for accommodation is oil matters, the Brandt report was simply asking for international common sense. One day, either common

Britain could not solve its own

sense. One day, either common sense would need to prevail or

sense would need to prevail or disaster would.

There should be a package of proposals such as the Brandt Commission put forward better access to Western markets for commodities from third world countries, a more generous aid programme, increased provision of special drawing rights from the IMF, and recycling to the developing countries surpluses from oil which the Opec countries earned.

Lord Banks (I) said that in

Lord Banks (L) said that in spite of the new hope the Brandt report had given, the deterioreport has given, the deterio-ration continued. The gap got wider and the mountain of debt of the poorest countries in-creased. Those countries faced possible financial collapse. The Bishop of Derby (The Rt Rev Cyril Bowles) said that govern-ment and voluntary agencies must work together to help the

Lord Holderness (C) said that the United Kingdom's ability and willingness to import finished goods and commodities at a remunerative price to the pro-ducers would ultimately be of far mark value to developing course. more value to developing coun-tries than an expansion of the aid

world overcome the vast prob-lems facing least developed

programme.

Lord Vernon (SDP) said that if, as the Brandt Commission stated, 800 million people were living in poverty today, he wondered what things would be like in 20 years when the population in many of tinose countries would have doubled.

Lord Hatch of Lusby (Lab) said the state of indebtedness of the third world towards the banks of the western world was on the verge of crisis proportions and could easily begin to undermine the international financial sys-

tem.

Lord Harris of Righ Cross (Ind) said the tatal flaw of foreign aid was that money was handed over to incompetent politicians who pursued ambitious but inappropriate policies which impoverished their subjects and were not redeemed by eariching favoured minorities with, often, corrupt political connexions.

Deep concern about Falklands

Statements in Argentina about Mr Douglas: Has he had contact the future of the Falkland with the International Committee of the Foreign Secretary, and other ministers deep concern, Mr Richard Luce, Minister of State for Foreign and commonwealth Affairs, said during question time. He also said that the statements reported today (Wednesday) from Argenting Mr Aphines We have been in close the continued internation should be deplored by all who want to see human rights restored.

rights, imprisons trade unionists, denies free elections, and inversy way acts against traditions which the people of the Falkland Islands hold dear.

Mr Luce: Without a shadow of the state of the state of the state of the shadow of the state of the

Mr Luce Without a shadow of doubt, there can be no contemplation of any transfer of sovereignty without consulting the wishes of the islanders, nor without the consent of this House.

The statement reported to have been issued by the Argentine Government yesterday is not very helpful to the process we all want, to see the resolution of that dispute.

Mr. Lucian America Resolution

Mr Julian Amery Brighton, Pavilion, C): Has the Minister's attention been drawn to the rather aggressive statement in the Argentine press — I think yesterday? Can he assure us that all the necessary steps are in hand to ensure the protection of the islands against unexpected attack?

Mr Luce: We have no doubts whatever about our sovereignty in the Falkland Islands and no doubts whatever about our duty to the islands.
The statements Mr Amery

The statements Mr Amery refers to causes me and Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, deep concern, that discussions last week in a friendly and cordial atmosphere should have been followed by a statement which is most unhelpful. It causes me deep anxiety and

is not helpful to finding a solution to the problem. Mr Russell Johnston (Inverness, L): It would be most persuasive if the Government was willing to embark on an economic aid programme for the islands.

Mr Luce: The Minister for Overseas Development (Mr Neil Marten) is here and is answerable

Poland shows no sign of change

The communique issued yesterday (Tuesday) following the talks between President Brezhnev and the Polish Prime Minister General Jaruzeiski, showed there had been no change of heart by the Polish authorities Mr Humphrey Atkins. Lord Privy Seal and principal Foreign Office spokesman in the Commons, said during questions.

Mr Richard Douglas (Dunferm-line, Lab) asked for a statement on the most recent discussions between the Foreign Office and the Polish Government with regard to human rights.

martial law, release those de-tained without trial, and resume a dialogue with the Church and Solidarity as soon as possible.

during question time. He also said that the scattements reported today (Wednesday) from Argentina had not been helpful to the solution of the dispute over the Falkland Islands.

Mr Luce said that he and the Argentine Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs had agreed in New York on February 25 and 27 on the need to resolve the dispute, but he had made clear that the British Government bad no doubts about British sovereignty and that no solution could be agreed which was not acceptable to the islanders and to the House of Commons.

Mr Kevin McNaugara (Kingston upon Hull, Central, Lab): Will Mr Luce give an undertaking that under no circumstances whatever will the Government countenance the transfer of sovereignty to a country which denies human rights, imprisons trade unionists, denies free elections, and in every way acts against raditions which the people of the Falkland

hand to rely entirely on newspaper reports.

Sir Frederic Benuett (Torbay, C):
We must not fall into the trap of
thinking the situation will
necessarily be ameliorated by the
lifting of martial law and that
this will lead to the release of
political prisoners and a return
of human rights. There is no
martial law in the Soviet Union
and there are no human rights
there.

Mr Atkins: Yes. I think he may have noticed the communique issued following the discussions in Russia yesterday between Mr Brezhnev and General Jaruzelski which stated that any attempts at the state of the state o changing socio-political situation will be cut short in a most



It is clear from that com-

munique there is no change of heart so far on the part of the Polish authorities. Sir Patrick Wall (Naltemprice, C): Is he satisfied with the steps the 15 Nato nations have taken to formulate an agreed policy of response to any further unfavou-rale developments in Poland? rale developments in Poland?

Mr Atkins: The response of the Government and its Nato allies to the situation in Poland was set out in the ministerial declaration of January 11. The declaration also outlined measures which might be taken if the situation in Poland showed no improvement.

A number of measures have been taken. Should the situation in Poland deteriorate further, Nato will certainly respond as indicated.

Mr John Townend (Bridlington, C): If the situation in Poland does deteriorate, one option which could be considered by the Government and its Nato allies is that the sporting relationship between the West and the Communist block be put on the same basis as the sporting relations with South Africa.

Mr Atkins: There are no sporting relationships between ourselves and the Soviet Union at the moment; there are no events

Mr Atkins: The Government has Mr Timothy Renton (Mid Sussex, made it clear to the Polish C) asked later: Is it not a matter suthorities that we deplore the of deep regret that despite the massive violation of human and civil rights in Poland. We expect the western world that martial law the Polish Government to lift has been imposed, none of the

is it not clear that the military is it not ctear than the inham, y regime in Poland, supported by Russia, will in the end only be influenced by a total embargo of grain exports to the eastern grain exports to the block?

Mr Atkins: The answer to the first question is Yes. The restrictions on credit which the Community has embarked upon in relation to Poland are baving their effect.

Mr Bric Heffer spokesman on European and EEC affairs (Liverpool, Walton, Lab): Some of us believe that the Lao): Some or us believe that the sanctions proposed are cosmetic. The idea of 2 per cent of imports, about £140m, in relation to luxury goods is not the way to

Is it not far better for the Ten to enter into talks with the Polish Government about releasing prisoners and getting rid of martial law than having some pretence of action which adds up to nothing?

Mr Atkins: We are un touch with Mr Atkins: We are in touch with representatives of the Polish Government and bave made precisely the points he suggests, but with, so far, No effect.

Reconciling interests

Genuine differences of view Genuine differences of view existed between the Government and the government of Israel but there had also been a lot of unnecessary misunderstandings though these were beginning to be cleared away, Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, said when he was asked about relations between the two

Mr Michael Latham (Melton, C) had said: As relations are poor and the fault is not all on one side, will be confirm that when Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-State for roreign and Common-wealth Affairs, goes to issue he will not only be putting over western perceptions and policies but listening to the views of the people and the government of israel, too?

Mr Hard said Britain certainly aimed to maintain excellent relations with Israel and that Lord Carrington boped his visit

Mr.David Watkins (Consett. Lab):
Will Lord Carrington make clear
to the Israeli government that it
can do much to improve relations
with us by ending what seems to
be their policy of illegal annexation, colonization and even
armed attacks against other
countries?

Mr Hurd: We have made clear at the United Nations and elsewhere our rejection of the Israeli actions, especially as regards East Jerusalem and, more re-cently, the Golan Heights, so cently, the Golan Heights, there is no misunderstanding.

Mr Ivan Lawrence (Burton, C): The best single approach which The best single approach which the Foreign Secretary can pursue is to give encouragement and support for the furtherance of the autonomy talks and nego-tiations which are a continuation of the Camp David settlement to which Egypt and the United States agreed.

Mr Hurd: We wish these talks well. But the Egyptian president has repeatedly made the point publicly that there is a stage beyond which one cannot discuss the future of Pelestinian lands without the Palestinians. Dr Maurice Miller (East Kilbride,

Lab): The security of the Israeli people is paramount in their minds though we may think they which we do not agree. Will Lord Carrington make clear to the Israeli leaders his own views and those of the British Government which will allay Israeli fears on security?

Mr Hurd: Security is obviously paramount in Israeli minds just as Palestinian self-determination is paramount in Arab minds. We have to find a way to reconcile

Progress towards reform is slow

EUROPE

The EEC was no more beyond reform than any other body, including the Labour Party, Mr Humphrey Atkins, the Lord Privy Seal, said during questions. Changes were needed and Britain would continue to seek them until successful.

Mr Eric Heffer Chief Opposition spokesman on European and Community affairs said: Some of us warned before entry of the devastating effects on employment, but we were told by those advocating entry that unless we went in we would have millions unemployed. We entered and we have millions unemployed. ployed. Negotiations in relation to

Mr Atkins: If he thinks we could leave the common Market with-out damage I suggest he consults his colleagues in the TUC. Mr Robert Cryer (Keighley, Lab): There have been no reforms with the CAP which remains inviolate. The structure cannot be changed without a unanimous were and

Duties test to be review

The Covernment has under review the "normal household duties" test used to establish eligibility for the award of the housewife's non-contributory invalidity pension, Lord Elton, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said in reply to Lady Lane-Fox (C).

Lord Pitt of Rampstead (Lab) said the Government should urge the EEC to join the International Sugar Agreement and to support policies to stop the EEC's overproduction of beet sugar.

Negotiations in relation to budget proposals are causing sourness. This is understandable so long as we have these sort of problems facing us. So long as the Rome treaty cuts across the interests of the British people, such sourness will continue. It is better to accept the decision of the Labour Party that we should get out, rather than continue the type of sourness that exists.

Mr Atkins: If he thinks we could leave the common Market with-

without a upanimous vote and this is clearly impossible. In 1980, Britain had a deficit of £2,500m

She had asked what complaints the Government had received about the injustice of the test. Lord Elton replied that the Government had received rep-resentations from groups and individuals, most of them asking that the test be either modified or

that way. There have been many improvements in the way the Community works — many brought about by our own initiatives. We are seeking further improvements but 1 do not pretend all the problems have been ironed out. They have not. Mr. David Stoddart (Swindon, Lab): The only way Britain will get a decent deal, if that is possible from the EEC, is by the ending of the CAP. But if it was, France would break up the EEC. Mr Atkins: It is not the ending of the CAP, but the changing of it we are seeking. The heads of governments agreed in May 1980 that it should be reconsidered. This is the process on which we are supposed and I home it will be a supposed in the changing of the cap and I home it will be a supposed in the changing of the cap and I home it will be a supposed and I home it will be a supposed and I home it will be supposed and I home it will be This is the process on which we are engaged and I hope it will be successful.

and is helping to prop up the EEC.

Mr Atkins: As always there are none so blind as those who will not see. He should read the documents and see for himself what strides have been made during the last few years.

Mr Nicholas Winterton (Macclesfield, C): One of the reforms not forthcoming has been the elimination of the national trade practices of countries such as the determination to solve it. stion of the national trade practices of countries such as the latty, France and Belgium which Mr Roy Hughes (Newport, Lab): have worked against the best it is time even this Government interests of manufacturers in this concluded the EEC is beyond reform regarding British interests.

interests of manufacturers in this country.

Britain has been a soft option and soft touch since we joined. When is he going to stand up for our best national interests?

Mr Atkins: I do not think he will find our partners regard us in that way. There have been many improvements in the way the

Mr Atkins, answering in ther questions, said: We are making slow progress. It is shower than any of us would want but as long as it is progress, it is our business to pursue the ends which we all want.

Mr Heffer: Over the years there has been atempt after attempt to get reform of the CAP and reform in other directions. Up to get reform of the CAP and reform in other directions. Up to now it has not been brought about. Surely we can ask him for a clear declaration that if we do not get reform the Government will make a clear stand, bring it back to the House and let the British people have a clear decision?

This is the process on which we are engaged and I hope it will be successful.

Mr Ronald Leighton (Newham, North-East, Lab): How long can ly he is.

Mr Solution of the auspices of the Labour Covernment in 1975.

This Government is not prepared to give up so easily as apprarently he is.

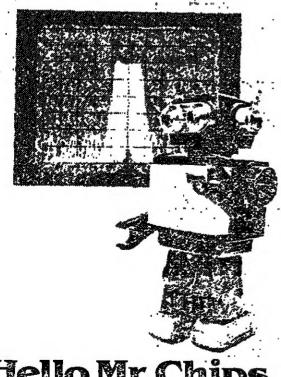
Sex shops in Scotland

I can give an undertaking (he said) that we propose to intro-duce amendments to the Bill at committee state in the Commons

The Government intends to licence sex shops in Scotland under the Civic Government (Scotland) Bill, the Earl of Mansfield Minister of State for Scotland said during the Bill's report stage in the House of Lords yesterday (Tuesday).

He said the Government fully shared the general concerve at the lack of local authority control over the opening of sex shops and had been giving full and detailed consideration to this problem.

I can give an undertaking (he said) that we propose to introduced in the stablishment of sex shops. More of them were appearing in different parts of the country. The amendment was with-



Hello Mr. Chips

What will the school of the future be like? The microelectronics revolution will lead to dramatic changes in our schools - the Government is investing £14 million to make sure that it does. This week in The Times Educational Supplement we interview Kenneth Baker, Minister for information technology on what he hopes will be the spin-off for education from Information Technology Year; and report on how the BBC's Acorn Microcomputer is being used in a London Primary school, Also: What makes good educational software? Are the right computing languages being used? It's all in the TES this week, on sale at your. newsagent, it's a vital issue for all concerned.

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Labour MP ordered

to leave CANADA BILL

Mr Dale Campbell-Savours (Workington, Lab) was ordered to leave the Commons chamber at the beginning of the committee me beginning of the committee stage of the Canada Bill, by Mr Bernard Weatherill, the Deputy Speaker, for persisting in asking for his amendment relating to abortion in Canada to be considered.

merous times, on several points of order, to maintain that by the passage of the Bill as it stood, the Commons were legislating for abortion in Canada. He said he

He repeatedly asked Deputy Speaker to reconsider his decision not to select his amendment that "nothing in this amendment that "nothing in this charter affects the authority of Parliament to legislate in respect

He said he was not trying to provoke a debate on abortion, just trying to prevent the Commons legislating on the issue for Canada. He was supported by Mr Kevin McNamara (Kingston upon Hull Central, Lab), who also raised points of order on the same subject.

Arguments about the issue were raging in Canada, Mr Campbell-Savours said. MPs should vote on the subject or at least debate it. The House of Commons was being held over a barrel. MPs had been told they could not amend the Bill because the Canadians would take exception to it. The House of Commons was being used by Canadians to include in the Bill provisions which, when reflected in the Supreme Court of Canada, would lead to a legislative change. change. Mr Weatherill said that he had considered the issue carefully and had decided not to select the amendment. He refused to accept Mr Campbell-Savours's request for a manuscript amendment on the same subject. He told the MP he could raise the issue on clause

service charge of between 10 and 15 per cent which was commonly added to bills had to be paid by the Bahamas? It was a scandal law, but it was remarkable that although it had taken the place of the tip, it was not the property of the staff but of the management. It could be used in any way the constants of the bill a charge for rates, for gas price increases or even a management boliday in the Bahamas? It was a scandal that money due to the lowest wage earners should be handled in this way. His Bill woulld mean that the property of the staff but of the management was the constant. LONDON their money was going The provision of funds by the Greater London Council towards the cost of publishing The Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Agriculture; Prime Minister. Coal Industry Bill, remaining stages. Orders relating to mineworkers. Lords (3): Mental Health Bill, third reading. Antiquities Bill, committee.

Londoner newspaper was a scandalous waste of ratepayers' money at a time when the GLC was bleating that it had insuf-ficient money for essential services, Lord Ellenborough (C) said at question time in the House of Lords. House of Lords.

He asked the Government to confirm that the annual cost of publishing the paper was about \$500,000 a year.

£500,000 a year.

Lord Elleaborough went ou: Will this blatant misuse of funds be looked into by the district auditor? Will the minister condemn loudly and clearly this practice of using ratepayers' money for what is only thindly disguised political propaganda at a time when many ratepayers are still awaiting repayment of the supplementary rates extorted

still awaiting repayment of the supplementary rates extorted from them illegally by the Markist controlled GLC?
Lord Bellwin, Under Secretary of State for Environment: The district auditor is already aware of this issue and the disquiet felt by many Londoners about their money being used in this way. (Conservative cheers) If the district auditor considers the expenditure illegal or unreasonable, it is open to him to initiate surcharge action at any time.

He understood the cost of

surcharge action at any time. He understood the cost of printing and distributing the paper was reported to be of the order of £80,000. Lord Bellwin added: It makes a mockery of protestations of any authority that they are short of funds to carry out essential services if they are willing to pour tham away in matters of this kind. (Conservative cheers) Lord Boyd-Carnenter (C) asked if Lord Boyd-Carpenter (C) asked if the minister's remarks about the district auditor applied also to the full page advertisements in the press, containing nothing but straight political propaganda, which had been issued by the GLC.

GLC.
Lord Bellwin: The amounts of money involved in this are not inconsiderable. If the district auditor is not aware of them they will certainly be drawn to his attention to consider. Lord Bruce of Donington, for the Lord Bruce of Donington, for the Opposition: It is dangerous that the district auditor should be cast in the role of some kind of political censor to make judgements as to the political content or otherwise of a particular journal. That goes will outside the role of normal auditing. (Labour cheers).

Lord Bellwin: Anyone may refer to the district auditor at any time anything they may feel ought to be investigated as an abuse or misuse of ratepayers' money. The district auditor will decide whether or not that is so.

New peer Lord Bancroft, formerly Sir Ian Bancroft, former head of the Home Civil Service, was intro-

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test-tube ethics The British Medical Association's council resterday accepted the recommendation of its ethical commendation agreed to set up a working party to consider the ethical implications of work on test-tube" babies.

The association's central thical committee and board of science is to decide its membership and terms of reference, and will report back to the next council because grazing reduced because grazing sheep were allowed to eat the seedling trees.

SDP support slips as the Jenkins campaign opens Gales and lesses in local by elections ...

> alliance candidates in the course of the three-month

☐ Although new figures unemployment.

Suggest that the Social Democratic Party is slipping in popularity against the established Labour and Conservative parties, SDP managers new members are still coming in each week. That is reliable guide to the state of public opinion. (our political public borrowing it is notably more cautious than the

What is crucial is the rate of aged a £6,000m boost: The minre:
But whereas before membership renewals at the difference is largely end of a year's political accounted for by the views of activity. The SDP leader the two parties on the would like it to be 100 per national insurance surcharge that 75 which the Liberals want to per cent would be more abolish, and the SDP wants realistic taking into account to cut to 1.5 per cent. The SDP proposes substanting the surface of aged a 25,000m boost: The membership renewals at the difference is largely accounted for by the views of the two parties on the which the Liberals want to per cent would be more abolish, and the SDP wants realistic taking into account to cut to 1.5 per cent.

this week's New Statesmen, £4,000m plan to is the work of the paper's political editor, Mr Peter cut unemployment Kellner. Comparing the votes

The SDP yesterday proper in 16 posed a £4,000m injection in the control of the control

into the economy in next week's Budget and said it would have the same effect November, Mr Kellner has on reducing unemployment months; a crash house-imrecorded an eleven-point as the Labour Party's sugdrop from 49 per cent to 38 gested £9,000m boost. (Philip
per cent, in support for Webster writes).

Mr John Horam, the SDP's economic spokesman, described the package put forward on Tuesday by Mr Peter Shore, the Shadow Chancellor of the Exchequer. as wildly inflationary and said that the main measures being pressed on Sir Geoffrey Howe by his own backbenchers would have a minimal impact on reducing

The SDP Budget package, whose effect, Mr Horam said, would be to restart economic expansion, is aimed at taking tive parties. SDP managers one million people out of the reported yesterday about 400 dole queues in two years, a similar objective to that set by Mr Shore.

staff writes).

Total membership is now budget package put forward abou 79,000, a year after the by Mr David Steek the launching of the new party. Liberal leader, which envis

The SDP proposes substantial public investment to reduce unemployment by 300,000 over two years and four measures to create jobs. The SDP yesterday pro- Those are a £70 a week posed a £4,000m injection subsidy to employers for into the economy in next each additional worker employed, who had previously been unemployed for six



Scotland Yard, Interpol and port and airport authorities have been alerted in an attempt to stop Mrs Shulamit Martin, aged 31, (above) from leaving Britain with her son, Gil, aged five, (right). It is believed she may be head-ing for Israel where her

family lives. A High Court judge in London has ruled that the boy should be returned immediately to his father, Mr Arnold Martin, (above) who raised the alarm when his wife and son went missing from the family home in Epping Up-land, Essex, on Satur-

day. Mr Martin, aged 35, an aircraft broker, said: "I haven't a clue why she has done this. I had no indication that she had intended to leave. We had some problems



about two years ago. She took Gil to Israel on that occasion. But we have been back together for some time The judge lifted reporting restrictions in the hope that publicity would help trace the

missing mother and

Violence in schools: 3

Children bored to disruption

By Diana Geddes, Education Correspondent

search by the Schools Coundid nothing to stimulate or dangerous to appear dressed cil. A tiny, but growing, minority are considered suf-

A recent survey by HM Inspectorate for Schools (HMI) of short-term special behavioural units for disrup-tive pupils found a wide variety of children. Some were violent towards their teachers, their peers or both; others were quiet and with-

Some were clsearly emotionally disturbed, others clearly not. Many had histories of petty delinquency and anit-social behaviour in and out of school, but a fair proportion had been in

crouble only when in school. The most common features found among the pupils in the units were that they had experienced serious difficulties in their relationships with adults, particularly teachers; factory home backgrounds; and they were overwhelm-ingly boys between the ages of 14 and 16.

In general, they were not among the least able. They tended rather to be just below average in ability, but not so limited as to be singled out for special help in

remedial groups.
That was the group of pupils that the HMI ident-

develop them. Mr Eric Bolton, the senior kids." tive to need special treament away from "normal" children. The great majority remain in ordinary schools.

MIT ETIC Bolton, the senior inspector for educational disadvantage, believes most disruptive children may not be very different from their peers. "Perhaps they"

rebellious tip of a much larger iceberg of bored and unmotivated pupils who as they get older find themselves less and less engaged by what schools offer". he says.
Mr Rom Harre, Fellow of

Linacre College, Oxford, who has recently completed four years research into classroom violence and football hooliganism, believes there is a common factor underlying both forms of anti-social behaviour, an attempt by a child who feels devalued and humiliated to win back respect

and dignity.
"I and my fellow researchers believe that a very large proportion of these incidents are ritualistic", he says. "In school, seriously disruptive pupils are by and large those that think the school system has devalued them.

"Children believe that one way a school shows its respect for a particular class is to give them a strong teacher. They regard a weak, ineffective teacher as a deadly insult. Their first move is therefore to test the teacher with some relatively trivial disturbance to see how he or she reacts. "The kind of teacher they

About one million-children ified in its secondary school in England and Wales, or one in 10 pupils, have marked greatest cause for concern, emotional or behavioural not because they were the search by the Schools Coun- did not believe to appear dressed dangerous to appear dressed more or less as one of the

Dr Willian Parry-Jones, consultant psychiatrist in charge of the Highfield family and adolescent unit at the Warneford Hospital, Oxford, who has been conducting research in the way teachers handle disruptive pupils, also believe that pupils prefer firm directive teachers.

"We found that the teacher who you or I may think is democratic, understanding and sympathetic in his dealings with children may not be seen as such by the pupil.
At home and at school, children want adults who mean business, who do not try to blur the generation gap, who lay down explicit rules, and who explain what they are doing. I am not for a moment advocating old-fashioned, authoritation discipline but children see lack of control as offensive."

Dr Parry-Jones is reluctant to provide a profile of "the disruptive child". Many fac-tors are involved, he says, and much more research is required to discover inportant each is. But of one thing he, like so many others, is increasingly convinced: that schools and teachers can have a great influence for better of for worse on a child's behaviour,

Toll of winter

Roads falling into ruin, motor lobby says

By Michael Baily

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

marked fall in support for the Social Democrat and

for the Social Democrat and liberal Alliance in the past month, indicated in opinion with the confirmed by an

maksis published today of colors behaviour in local by-

The downturn in the for-mes of the alliance inscrides with the effective

he parliamentary seat of Classon Hillhead, for which the writ was issued yester-

ening of the campaign for

Mr Roy Jenkins, the of the prominent of the moder-leaders of the SDP

and the only one who is not

an MP, is contesting the seat

for the alliance; the Social

Denocrats and the Liberals both see his success in

menturning a Conservative inductive of 2,002 (or 6.6 per

as crucial to their

Christmas the alliance was

inning two out of every hree local by-elections that

ratio fell to ten out of 20 in

anuary, and to four out of

9 in the three weeks to

February 25.

The analysis, published in

three-party contests with the results in 16 similar seats in

Transport Correspondent Thousands of miles of roads are crumbling after one of the worst winters this century, according to a study,

out today. Unless councils maintenance spending is allowed to rise many minor roads will fall into complete disrepair and will have to be closed. the surface and allows water Others will become more dangerous, especially to pedestrians and cyclists, the British Road Federation says in a report to the Govern-

koad maintenance has been cut by 19 per cent in real terms over a decade in barriers are plain to see. Which traffic has grown by More serious are the problem in unacceptable level of neglect and risk, the federation says. It adds that to return to standards of the early, 1976e which were Road maintenance has return to standards of the early 1970s, which were regarded as inadequate then, an exira £100m needs to be spent both while the grow in culture to a grow in culture to a spent both while the spent b spent both this year and next, the equivalent of less than 3 per cent of this year's

a week on gritting and clearance: money from seve-rely pruned budgets which was not therefore available

for road improvement. The federation is even more concerned about the undermining of roads by frost and ice that breaks up

Correspondent The encouragement being given to private medicine by

the Government was criticized yesterday by Sir Douglas Black, president of the Royal College of Physicians.
Sir Douglas said that had been opposed to the partial been opposed to the partial beau opposed to the partial basing out of new heds in

phasing out of pay beds in the health service because it

took doctors away from their main hospital: "But I view with misgiving the opposite phenomenon of giving positive encouragement to a great expansion of the pri-

vate sector, which is bound

to lessen determination to

make the health service work efficiently."

He agreed with the general judgment of the Royal Commission on the National Health Service that in the

sixties and early seventies there was a reasonable bal-

ance between public and private provisio of health services.

Sir Douglas, who was giving the Dame Juliet Rhys-Williams memorial lecture at the Royal College of Obstetrics and Gynaecologists in London, and that the encouragement of the private sector was a serious concern for the fusing of the health

for the future of the health service.

Working party on

Local road maintenance and traffic: Britain

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into the sub-structure. This damage is estimated to cost tens of millions of pounds, "No one needs to be told of the visibility of spending

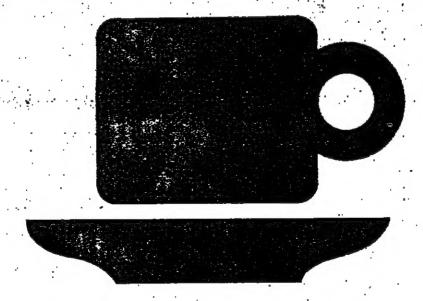
restraints", the report says.
"The potholes, overgrown verges and unrepaired crash

the road draining properly and leading to structural damage. Road signs are

f6,000m "surplus" of road tax over road expenditure.

In the height of this wimer's snow and frost, some counties spent £500,000 planned programmes of cycaged to reinstate their planned programmes of cyclic maintenance, making the most effective use of re-sources. The alternative is to allow minor roads to fall into complete disrepair, become unusable except by the most robust traffic, and eventually close as some have already

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This is the age of the train

Criticism of £1m appeal private to save woodlands beds trend By Annabel Ferriman, Health Services

By Ronald Faux The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) yesterday launched a film appeal to protect woodlands. Birds depend on woodland and the RSPB said that about half Britain's ancient forests had disappeared since the war with serious repercussions for the birds living in them.

in them. in them.

According to the most elegant logic, if things go on as they are, the last British hardwood will thud to the ground in the year 2020. If that projection has a ring of the eighteenth century fears that the growth of horse-drawn traffic in London drawn traffic in London could lead to the city disappearing under a heap of manure, Mr John Davy, deputy, chief reserve officer deputy chief reserve officer for the society, said that as much woodland had been lost in the last 40 years as was felled in the previous 400.

"It is a very serious position", he said. "About half of the 204 species breeding in Britain depend on woodland".

The RSPB hopes that its

The RSPB hopes that its Woodland Birds Survival Campaign will raise money to buy tracts of natural woodland that can be protected as nature reserves where rarer species can breed safely. The society is negotiating to acquire 400 acres of the finest oak forest in Southeast England, which supports a fine community of night-ingales, hawfinches, red-

starts and sparrowhawks,
All types of old woodland
are at risk. Birchwoods have disappeared as fuel for log burning stoves. The ancient caledonian pine forest has dwindled to about 22,000 acres. Oak woodland on the hillsides of the West Country, Wales Cumbria and the

Sadat trial evidence cut short

Cairo.—the military court trying 24 Muslims accused of assassinating President Sadat assassinating President Sadat ordered the termination of defence evidence and said there would be a verdict on Saturday. The move was bitterly condemned by Defence lawyers as the prelude to a "mass slaughter", (Our Correspondent writes).

The trial started on November 21 amid official comments that it would end in one month. But the defence said recently it was attempting to put Sadat's policies on trial to justify his assassination.

Lawyers assassination. Lawyers claimed they had completed the defence of only 10

of the 35-man defence team appeared agitated and angry after the court ruling. "The 24 are human beings entitled to a fair and legal trial. We needed at least 40 more ressions to complete currents." sessions to complete our defence," he added.

Senators deal blow to busing

Washington. - The Senate Washington. — The Senate has approved by 57 votes to 37 the most far-reaching antibusing legislation ever to be put before either house of Congress. The Bill would virtually outlaw busing as a means of desegregating public schools by prohibiting federal courts from ordering students to be bused more than five miles or 15 minutes from their homes (Nicholas Ashford writes). Ashford writes).
Conservatives have hailed

the vote as a big victory. However, the legislation still has to be approved by the House of Representatives where it is expected to meet tough opposition.

Yugoslavs shot in Brussels

Brussels. — Two Yugoslavs were killed and three injured in a shooting at a Yugoslav community centre here. One of the injured was seriously

According to witnesses, a man entered the centre armed with a sub-machine gun and opened fire before

Stalking upsets Mrs Onassis



line Onassis, who has com-plained to a federal judge about the "relentless stalking and constant surveillance" of her and her children by a celebrity photographer.
In 1975, a judge ordered the photographer, Mr Ronald Galella, to stay 25ft away from Mrs Onassis and 30ft from her children. Ruling that Galella was getting too close, the court decided yesterday on another hearing

UN gets yellow rain evidence

to determine penalties.

New York. — The United States has submitted to the United Nations a detailed account of independent medical analysis of blood samples taken from victims of an alleged yellow rain onslaught in Cambodia (Zoriana Pysariwsky writes). It admits, however, that the evidence is

largely circumstantial.

In its letter, Washington appears more interested in providing information that could benefit its own investigation than with passing gation than with passing categorical judgment.

Token strike by French doctors

Paris. - For the second associations of hospital doctors called their members out on strike in protest against the plans of M Jack Palite, the Communist Minister of Health, to abolish private hospital beds (Charles Hargrove writes).

The "strike" was mostly:

token one. Doctors cared for in-patients and emergencies but not out-patients. About 1,000 doctors in white coats marched on the Ministry of Health and handed in a

Poles to reduce trade links with the West

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw, March 3

three levels of economic aid had been discussed in Moscow. First, there was Soviet assistance to relieve the immediate effects of the West's limited sanctions against Warsaw. Second, there would be Comecon asistance to increase the use of industrial capacity in Poland and ease unemployment there. Finally, long-term plans for completely changing the focus of Poland's trade with the world were discussed in the talks there would be Comecon asistance to increase the use of industrial capacity in full backing but seems Poland and ease unemployment there. Finally, long term plans for completely changing the focus of Poland's trade with the world were discussed in the talks with President Brezhnev and other Soviet leaders.

This last point, the official said, represented "a turning point", indicating that it meant a much deeper relationship with the Eastern block. Meanwhile, the Soviet lengthy communique in

meant a much deeper relationship with the Eastern block. Meanwhile, the Soviet Union was giving assistance in hard currency to help Poland "through these troubled times". He refused to say, however, whether detailed questions of financing Poland's \$28,000m (£15,000m) debt with the West were discussed at the summit.

Asked whether the Soviet Union would help to pay off outstanding interest on its official would say only: "Poland is going to pay offits debts. The methods and dates of this repayment are dependent on outside factors determined by the complicated political and international conditions."

The official, an officer in the final comparison one area of disagreement, however, it says the prominence to his meetings with Mr Brezhnev and the lengthy communique in which he gave an undertaking to suppress any future challenge to Poland's community system (Michael Binyon writes).

The joint communique said the Polish side had emphasized that "any attempts to resume actions aimed at causing economic disarray, disturbances, or changing the social and political system will be cut short most resolutely".

The Polish leader also promised that the Communist Party would be strengthened and that Poland would remain a socialist state.

Suggesting one area of disagreement, however, it

The official, an officer in the Polish Army, emphasized disagreement, however, it parts of the final communique that acknowledged internal problems, the repland's right to settle its lease of detainees or any own problems without future role for a trade union foreign interference and recognized that Poland's borders were just and internationally guaranteed.

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borders were just and internationally guaranteed.

Although these comments were intended to demonstrate that the United States has no right to interfere in Polish affairs, a long standing complaint since martial law, they are also significant when made in the context of a trip to Moscow, underlining the Soviet willingness to allow Poland time to find its own way out of the criss without direct intervention.

without direct intervention.
On the face of it, the final On the face of it, the final communique gives little encouragement to the reformminded members of the Polish Communist Party. They were hoping that if the Soviet Union gave explicit backing to the "moderate" policies of General Jaruzelski, the chances of pushing through limited changes would be increased.

Soviet Union gave explicit backing to the "moderate" policies of General Jaruzelski, the chances of pushing through limited changes would be increased.

But the reformists have found two sources of consolation. The first, though it is scant encouragement, is a favourable reference to the ninth emergency party congress last summer. This congress attempted to trim with the Solidarity, the free detained.

Poland is preparing a trade union organization, and radical shift in its trading the more extreme hardliners: pattern to minimize its economic dependence on the economic aid during the West, according to an official who accompanied General Brezhnev is an indirect vote Wojciech Jaruzelski, the of confidence in the Govern-Polish leader, to Moscow. The official, who wanted to remain anonymous, said three levels of economic aid grants some scope for initiathad been discussed in Moscow. The net result in terms of

The net result in terms of the balance of power between "hardliners" and "moderates" is that little has been changed by General Jaruzelski's visit. The Soviet Union

☐ Washington: Reacting to sharp European criticism, the Reagan Administration has decided to avoid for the moment a confrontation with its allies over the controversial pipeline which would bring Russian natural gas to western Europe, White bring Russian natural gas to western Europe, White House officials have disclosed (Bailey Morris writes). Mr David Gergen, the White House Director of Communications, said President Reagan would not take any action on the pipeline until after a special American team was sent to Europe in the next two weeks to consult senior government officials.

away the extremes of party in connexion with the Madrid policy, edging out radical conference. He said more reformers who sympathized than 3,000 Poles were still

Muzzle on the press

Journalists resort to oblique attacks

From Our Own Correspondent, Warsaw, March 3

Dziennik Baltycki that has the deputy Prime Minister, just reached the capital. One wants to give up the editorarticle reviews a pop record ship of his newspaper Polityby by the British singer Amanda ka, once a forum for reformblear, employing exactly the minded journalists and politerms used to justify martial ticians. Now it is a very law in the political columns. Straitlaced weekly, tentative the whole trading position. Thus Miss Lear's record is in its judgments about the described as an antidote to internal crisis. There is extremism, a way of bringing currently a certain amount of the population back to reality jostling for the editorial and so on.

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All good clean fun. But the spokesman, being mentioned spells out the words WRONA Skona — literally, "the crow will die". But the first four lettrs are the initials for the Military Council for National Salvation, meaning that the writer's intent is to say the "the Military Council shall perish", an unpopular sentiperish", an unpopular senti-ment with the authorities. Editors on the newspaper say that the writer, a free say that the writer, a free In the absence of reason-

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Mr Janusz Zablocki, head not been attacked by guerrillas.

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spokesman, being mentioned as successors to Mr Rakowstough party member whose one previous claim to fame was to write a children's book called Four Tankmen repromptly in an attempt

lance reviewer, claimed that the effect was an accidental one. But no, he was no longer reviewing for Dziennik Baltycki.

In the absence of reason multiplying to the press, the underground bulletins are multiplying. And so are the graffit, though they fall somewhat short of reasoned



President Mitterrand arriving at Ben-Gurion airport where he was met by President Yitzhak Navon and wheelchair bound Mi Begin, the prime minister.

Israel hails Mitterrand as true friend

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem, March 3

EEC takes

From Ian Murray Brussels, March 3

The European Commission today decided to take France

to the European Court over

of national aids for farmers,

worth about £364m. They were announced by the French Government shortly

before Christmas.

They included aid for

young farmers. About a third of the package announced at

the time, involving disaster help for areas hit by bad

weather, has been allowed by

France

to court

Without exception, the Israeli press has reacted enthusiastically to the visit, which is viewed as a welcomme respite from the dipolomatic isolation suffered by Israel in recent years. Although there is little anticipation of returning to what one commentator dubbed "the golden days" of the early 1960s, there are high hopes for a marked improvement in day-to-day relationships.

The unfamiliar tones of the Marseillaise ringing from radio and television sets throughout Israel today heralded a new era in Franco-Israeli relations as François Mitterrand became the first French president to pay an official visit since the founding of the state in 1948.

M Mitterrand quickly displayed his reluctance to be swayed by Arab and French criticism of his twice-post-poned visit. Speaking briefly airport ceremony, M Mitterat the airport, he forcefully expressed the hope that his expressed the hope that his He has made five previous 48-hour visit would revive the friendship between the French and Israeli people, and render it both durable and irreversible.

His greetings were echoed by President Yitzhak Navon, who was on the airport to welcome him, together with Mr Menashem Begin, the Frime Minister, still confined to a wheelchair by his threemonth-old hip injury. Mr Navon called the French residents he has modoubtedly shown the keemonth-old hip injury. Mr Navon called the French residents he has indoubtedly shown the keemonth-old hip injury. Mr Navon called the French residents he has indoubtedly shown the keemonth-old hip injury. Mr Navon called the French residents he has indoubtedly shown the keemonth-old hip injury. Mr Navon called the French residents he has indoubtedly shown the keemonth-old hip injury. Mr Navon called the French residents he has indoubtedly shown the keemonth-old hip injury. Mr Navon called the French residents he has industry to the Jewish people and the Jewish people said.

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ships.
Some leading figures from the occupied West Bank have criticized the visit. But four elected Arab mayors will hold

talks tomorrow with M
Claude Cheysson, the French
Foreign Minister. They are
expected to seek his support
for having Mr Yassir Arafat,
leader of the Palestine Liberstion Organization invited to

with French-speaking Sephardic Jews, who came here from North Africa.

After today's airport ceremonial, troop review, and 21gun salute, M Mitterrand and
his wife drove to Jerusalem.
Israel's French language
radio pointed out that he was
obliged to cross in and out of
the occupied West Bank — as
that is how the road has been
huilt — despite his strict built - despite his strict determination to keep out of occupied territory during his stay. On Friday helicopters flying him north to visit a kibbutz and the old crusader port of Acre will make a long detour to avoid flying over the West Bank.

Late this afternoon, the French President began the forst in his hectic round of political talks with a meeting leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization, invited to
Jerusalem. No doubt they
will also detail their allegations of Israel's "creeping at Mr Begin's office. This
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make the Knesset, where
M Mitterrand will tomorrow
make the public address
which most observers regard
as the key-point of his trip.

Soviet space advance

Laser gun feared by 1990

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, March 3

The Pentagon has inadver-tently revealed that the Soviet Union will have an orbital space complex capable of launching laser beam attacks on ground, sea and air targets operational by 1990.

This prediction was first made by Mr Richard Delauer, the Defence Under-Secretary for Research and Engineerfor Research and Engineering, during testimony at a closed-door session of the House Armed Services Committee last week. It was then repeated by Mr Ken Kramer, a member of the House of Representatives, during a public committee hearing soon afterwards where it was recorded by a reporter from the Army reporter from the Army Times, an unofficial publication dealing with military news.

According to Mr Kramer's statement, as published in the journal, Mr Delauer told the committee: "We expect a large, permanent, manned Soviet orbital space complex to be operational around 1990 . . . capable of effectively attacking ground, sea and air

cargets. This forecast represents a substantial advance over previous official assements of Soviet preparations for space warfare. Until now it was widely believed that Soviet efforts were mainly concentrated on developing space-based lasers to attack American satellites rather

It was one of the argu-mentds he used in objecting to the 9 per cent farm price increase proposed by the European Commission. tthan ground targets.

The European Commission last year failed to bring France before the court in to stop distribution of the money, due to begin at the end of this month.

London: Mr Walker said tonight that the Commission's decision to take

farmers.

There was no immediate Soviet defence effort which, comment from the Pentagon on Mr Delauer's reported statement. However, the United States is known to be working on space-based laser and particle-beam weapons as an anti-ballistic missile defence and as satellite killers.

However, only \$218.3m (£110m)—less than 1 per cent of the defence budget—is earmarked for space defence in the fiscal year 1983. There has been specu-lation that Mr Delauer's forecast was deliberatley leaked to gain support for a bigger space warfare pro-America and the Soviet

Union agreed in 1967 not to use outer space for nuclear or other weapons of mass destruction. But both nations have been working for years on space-based weapons which could be used to destroy nuclear-armed missiles before they reach their target or destroy the other side's communications and detection satellites. The Soviet Union is under-

stood to have made particu-larly big strides in this field

while it had remained in proportion to the gross domestic product at the beginning of the 1970s, rose to a rate of 12 to 14 per cent by the end of the decade.

Approximately one-fifth of se expenditure was on research, development, trials and evaluation, while over one-third was devoted to procurement and construc-tion of military installations. In 1980, this, latter figure amounted to almost one-half of the total expenditure of the total expenditure, while only one-third went on operating expenses such as personnel costs, use and maintenance. Research and development

showed the highest rate of increase, closely followed by procurement of new equip-ment. This, the experts point out, is confirmed by the qualitative improvement of the Soviet armed forces. Intercontinental rocket forces accounted for more

than 10 per cent of the total Soviet military expenditure, A reduction of military stood to have made particularly big strides in this field in recent years.

Brussels: Soviet defence expenditure, increasing at the rate of 4 per cent annually, will reach 15 per cent of the gross domestic product by 1985 (Frederick Bonnart writes).

A reduction of military expenditure may appear desirable in the long run, the experts conclude, but they can appreciable influence on the annually, will reach 15 per cent of the 1980s. The level of product by 1985 (Frederick Bonnart writes). expenditure, increasing at the rate of 4 per cent annually, will reach 15 per continued growth before the continued growth before the gross domestic product by 1985 (Frederick Bonnart writes).

This is the conclusion of Nato experts who have made a detailed analysis of the forces.

The Reagan wagons defended in Cheyenne

From Michael Hamlyn Los Angeles, March 3

A child gave President Reagan a cowboy hat in Cheyenne, Wyoning, yester-day and he put it on. I was an appropriate gesture. He had come to the old Western frontier to lead the defence of the belagured wagons of his budget.

his budget.

Presidents do not often come to Cheyenne. The last to do so was Kennedy in September, 1963, and before that Truman in 1948. So Cheyenne was flattered. Albuquerque, New Mexico, another Western frontier town, was given a flying visit and a presidential budget speech. The wagon that the Presi-

The wagon that the President was most concerned to defend was labelled "fundamentals". He said "My commitment to cutting taxes and rebuilding our defences is every bit as strong today as it was the day I took office. There will be no retreat in these areas." these areas."

He noted that many legis-lators are attempting (after his Mid-Western challenge to his critics to "put up or shut up") to devise alternate programmes to his own.

But he declared: "This Administration is willing to consider anyu comprehensive programme as long as it does not compromise the funda-mentals of our tax cut

"The American peoples have been promised tax relief. Last year the Congress passed tax relief, and as long as I have any in the matter no one is going to take it away. Incentive must be returned to those who work, save and invest."

Speaking at a rally in support of Senator Harrison Schmitt of New Mexico, a schmitt of New Mexico, a former astronaut, the President also set himself against cutting back on another fundamental — his defence programme. "We can't afford to compromise on national defence needs".

Mr Reagan warned his Cheyenne audience: "We dare not reduce our defence budget. The bulk of the increase is not going for fancy new planes or elaborate weapons systems. Most of the money is going for basic essentials now in dangerously short supply.

"I don't think Americans want their armed forces held together with chewing gum and baling wire, unable to move for want of spare parts."

parts."

The President's budget includes an increase of defence spending of \$34,000m (£18,000m). At the same time he is proposing to maintain tax cuts passed last year which in the next 12 months will amount to \$91,400m. The resulting budget deficit is being seized on by both Republican and Democratic critics of the President, anxious to parade their financial responsibility. He derided particularly the Democratas as "kind of like" Democrats as "kind of like hearing a mugger in Central Park complain about crime in the streets".

He pointed out to his Wyoming audience: "We don't have a budget deficit because we don't tax enough. We have a budget deficit because we spend too much". He liked the remark so much — he repeated it in Albuquer-que. But he was quite firm in asserting: "As much as I detest the idea of deficits, as President I must accept a large deficit if that is what it takes to buy peace for the

rest of the century".
The President's stunning success last year in forcing his budget through a sometimes reluctant Congress was in no small part due to the strength of his appeal over the heads of the legislature to the American people. Yesterday's speeches marked similar attempt to claim the support of the West, the outdoors, self-reliant part of the country where he himself feels most at home. He derided the "hand

wringers" who paralysed Washington. "You don't have to spend much time in Washington to

JAPAN TOLD Polls test mood of white reform CHOICE IS CHAOS

From Peter Hazelburst Tokyo, March 3

Japan must play a greater political role in world affairs and strengthen her ties with

Nearly one million voters outright majority over the in the Transvaal went to the National Party of Mr P. W. polls today to elect 100 new town and rural councils in what is widely seen here as an unofficial plebiscite on calling itself the Independent the willingness of South Ratepayers' Association. The further relaxation of spart. Ratepayers' Association. The adjoining municipalities of Sandton and Randburg could

also fall to the PFP.

At the other end of the white political spectrum — in local as in national elections no blacks have the vote — the extreme right-wing Hersigte extreme right-wing Hersigie Nasionale (reconstituted national) Party (HNP) of Mr Jaap Marais, which broke away from the National Party 1969, has a good chance of winning seats on some councils for the first time. This is a feat it has never achieved at the national level.

The powers of town coun-

cils are fairly limited, and even if the PFP took over Johannesburg it would not be able to change the basic legislation underpinning legislation underpinning apartheid, such as the Group Areas Act, which prohibits people of different race from occupying the same residential area. The councils have a degree

of autonomy, however, in determining how public amenities are to be used. A strong showing by the PFP today could be used by Opposition MPs as evidence that white opinion is ready for the bolder reforms of the apartheid system which the Government, haveing shed its right wing, is now in theory free to pursue. This argument will lose some of its force, however, if the HNP force, however, if the HNP also does well.

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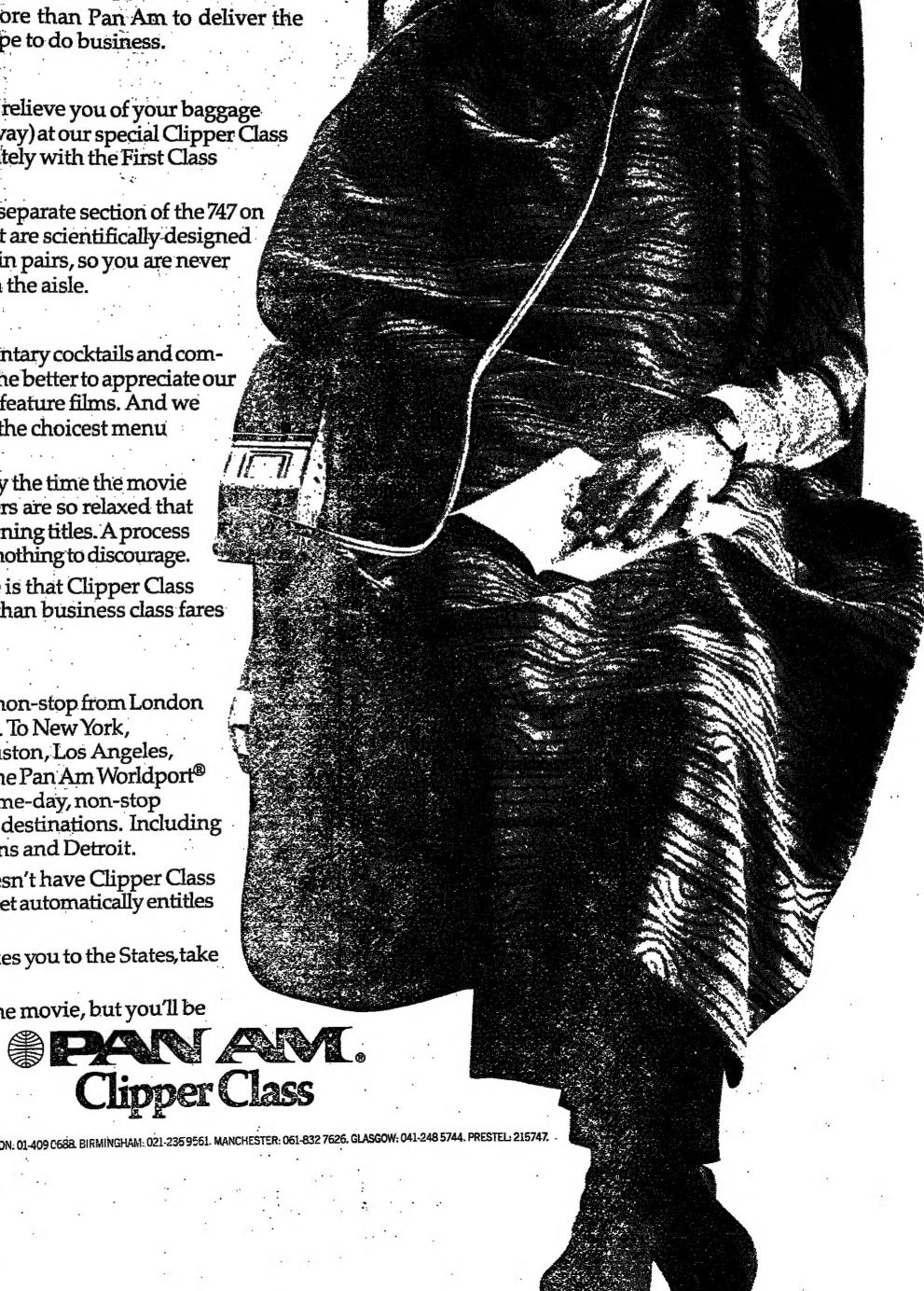
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the southern city of Ayacu-cho in a bloody attack in which 10 people were killed and several injured, the Peruvian Government said. General José Gagliardi, the Interior Minister, said the dead included three policeman and seven of the attackers. He added that dynamice and machine guns were used in the main assault and in a series of diversion-ary attacks on three police stations and a hospital.

A state of emergency was declared in Ayacucho, an Andean city of 100,000 inhabitants and 210 police reinforcements were sent from Lima,

Turkish line on Cyprus backed

Ankara. — In the first official Turkish comment on the recent visit to Cyprus by Mr Papandreou, the Greek Prime Minister, Mr . Her Turkmen, the Foreign Ministerick of the comment of the ter, insisted that intercom-munal talks between the two Cypriot communities — and not internationalization — represented the only viable means of reaching a settle-

Mr Robert Strausz-Hupe the American Ambassador told a press conference that he backed that view and that Washington's attitude had not changed.

Referee flees field twice

Valdeobispo, Spain.— A referee ran a mile to a Civil Guards barracks to seek protection from angry football fans after ordering the local goalkeeper off the field in this southern Spanish

When the game resumed later, he gave a penalty against the visiting team, Cabezuela, and again had to run off the field as their fans turned on him. The match was abandoned.

Strike stops papers Amsterdam.—Some

Dutch newspapers failed to appear because of a strike by printers over the Government's plans to cut sickness benefits. Only two provincial

Bonn faces its third scandal in one month

From Patricia Clough, Bonn, March 3

West Germany today faced its third scandal in a month rewrite it in "marketable form". He had followed it up opened treason investigations against Bavaria's top security chief for allegedly divulging establishment monthly dedubious avtivities by the West clared, showed how the secret service had become "completely out of control" and was conducting politics independently of the Government. He is alleged to have divulged among other things, that now a top official responsible

Nazi regime.

Konkret based its report on Konkret based its report on what it claimed were eight hours of tape-recorded reminiscences by Herr Langemann about his years as a BND agent and spymaster between 1957 and 1970. It also claims to have spoken to Herr Langemann himself and checked the mass of corroborating documents, many marked secret or top secret, which it published along with the article.

The colourful article tells of priests, ladies of doubtful virtue, aristocrats, politicians and diplomats who worked with, the intelligence service. It also claims to have spoken to Herr Langemann himself and checked the mass of corroborating documents, many marked secret or top secret, which it published along with the article.

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Fresh light on "Spiegel affair".

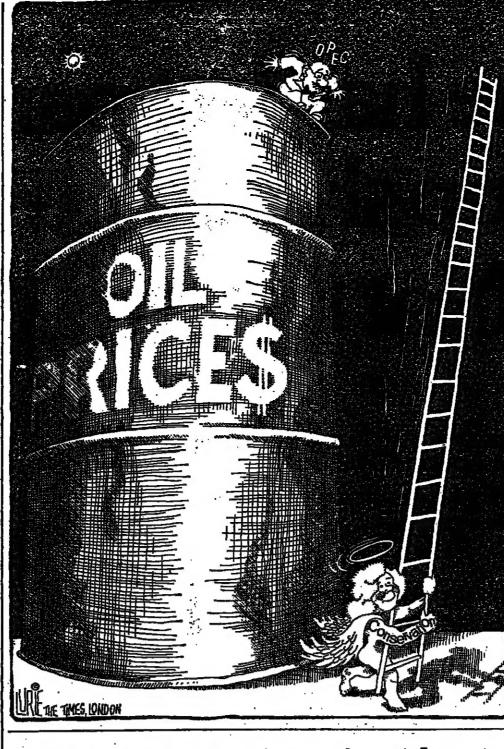
revealing state secrets to the left-wing monthly Konkret. He is alleged to have divulged among other things, that BND the country's intelligence service, had placed an agent close to the then President Nixon in 1969 to influence him in favour of West Germany. He was also quoted as saying that the BND had placed another agent close to Cardinal Franz König, the Archbishop of Vienna, and one of the Catholic Church's leading authorities on Eastern Europe. The agent's task was the archbishop's sources of information about Eastern Europe. Top officials of the BND—the report claims — persuaded the Central Intelligence Agency in Washington to take inaccessible to the public captured Nazi-era documents in American archives linking a former Federal Chancellor Herr Georg Kiesinger, with the Nazi regime.

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Der Spiegel published on the poor state of the Bundeswehr poor state of the Bundeswehr provoking Herr Strauss to have the magazine's offices searched and its publisher arrested for suspected trea-son, had been sold them by officials of the BND, the monthly alleged. Herr Lange-mann was quoted as saving mann was quoted as saying that he personaly filched documents which proved this from the seized *Der Spiegel* files under the eyes of the



Britain parries Argentine sabre

By David Cross

The British Government dispute over the sovereignty yesterday expressed deep of the British colony. concern about the latest The Falkland Islands, sabre rattling statements which lie 300 miles off the sabre rattling statements from Argentina on the future of the Falkland Islands.

files under the eyes of the investigating prosecutor.

About the agent close to Mr Nixon, Herr Langemann is quoted as saying: "We didn't want any information from him... We wanted — that was the point of the operation — to let Nixon have German views from a close friend with whom he also financially involved."

of the Falkland Islands.

Answering questions in the House of Commons, Mr Richard Luce, Minister of State at the Foreign Office, said that the statements, which were made after a meeting between British and Argentine officials in New York last weekend, had not been helpful towards a resolution of the long-standing the Argentine governor. Mr Luce reiterated successive British Governments' policy over the islands, namely that they will not be handed over to Argentina without the express approval of the Falkland Islanders and the British Parliament.

In a statement issued in Buenos Aires earlier this week, the Argentine Govern-Argentine coast in the south Argentine coast in the south Atlantic, have been British since 1833 when British troops landed and expelled

ment said it would terminate negotiations with Britain this and seek other means of and seek other means of resolving the dispute unless there was a speedy settle-

Officials in the Argentine capital said that the "other means" included recourse to means included recourse to the United Nations, a break in economic or political relations with Britain or a total rupture in diplomatic Arrigo Levi: A Personal View

Atlantic Alliance in need of a policy

The state of the Atlantic Alliance is unsatisfactory, although the member governments have managed so far to adjust and com-bine their different percep-tions of the world situation

after Poland.
Compromises between the divergent policies suggested by various governments (on economic and financial economic and material links with Eastern Europe, on tactics at the Madrid conference, on the conduct of military negotiations with the Soviet Union) have been produced with some difficulty, thanks to a deliberate effort to maintain deliberate effort to maintain a united front at a time of uncertainty and danger. But the, so far, successful efforts of many worthy diplomats and political leaders have not wiped out a widespread fear that, when the time comes for hard decisions the alliance may

split wide open. This may seem strange and even paradoxical, if one considers that the basic values of Western civilizations tion, as well as the guiding principles and raisons-d'êtreof the alliance, have never seemed to be so necessary and valuable as they are at

decisions, the alliance may

the present time.

Military repression in Poland, coming after the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, at a time when the military balance of power between East and West is endangered by heavy Soviet rearmament, ought to increase the importance of the Adantic Alliance for all democratics. The democratic nations. The tensions which keep growing inside the Soviet block, and the fact that the Soviet leaders seem able to react to these tensions only by using force, is a clear threat to us all.

But while there is no fundamental disagreement

in the West on principles and values, there are deeply diverging views on matters of policy. Would a firm Western warning and clear indication that we are ready to go back to a cold war relation, if need be, help the Polish dissidents and re-maining reformers more than a weak continuation of

detente and cooperation?
Which policy — looking further shead — would better help the rise of a new Khrushchev in the Kremlin, after the coming end of the Brezhnev era? One that emphasizes the costs of a continuation of the present Soviet aggressive and re-pressive policies? Or one

that makes it easier for ae future Soviet leaders to omic difficulties thanks o Western cooperation?

Discussion of these policy alternatives is still in the initial stages at government level, while it has alread produced a flood of word by political experts in the American and European press. Opinions press. Opinions vary as much as they possibly could.

But we do not only face a problem of defining longproblem of defining long-term Atlantic policy: agree-ment on day-to-day tactics may be even more difficult to achieve. Since everybody genuinely agrees that a split in the alliance would be a disaster which must be avoided at all costs, a common statement on principles may be put together in time for President Reagan's visit to Europe next

June.

But even if the Paris summit of the Seven and the Atlantic meeting which follows in Bonn produce the elegant of all possible follows in Bonn produce the clearest of all possible documents (and one can doubt that they will), such documents will not provide all the answers to the practical problems which will later arise. We are facing a changing situation, and one loaded with dangers, which will demand a continuous adaptation of continuous adaptation of

tactics.
The general raising of the general raising of tempers, due to the most unfortunate coincidence of a crisis in Central America which deeply splits the alliance (and American public opinion: but is it really a coincidence?) will really a coincidence?), will put all transatlantic insti-tutions under great stress.

No wonder that attention

is again being given to the problem of strengthening these institutions. A "Euro-pean-American act of friendship" has now been suggested by Signor Emilio Colombo, the Italian Foreign Minister, in a speech in Washington.

This "act" (a counterpart to the "European act")

to the "European act" proposed by Signor Colom-bo and Herr Genscher, the West German Foreign Min-ister) should deal not only with principles and good intentions: it should also provide for periodic meetings between the foreign ministers of the Atlantic alliance and become an extension to America of Europe's political cooper-

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price cut

French fuel

likely today

For the first time in 17 years, the price of petrol in France will probably be reduced tomorrow, by at least five centimes (about 1/2p)



TOU WANTED TO CONTROL THE WEST'S SUPPLY LINES, POULD YOU HAVE TO ONTROL FIRST?

You don't need a diploma in military strategy to out two-and-two together. Each month about 2,300 ships pass South Africa's coast, most en

route for the West. They carry 80% of NATO countries' oil supplies and 70% of their strategic minerals.

Indeed, the Republic of South Africa itself is the only stable country outside the Communist Bloc with large reserves of chrome, platinum, manganese and vanadium.

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No wonder South Africa has been called the 'Persian Gulf of strategic minerals'. So you can see how the stability of the West and the stability of South Africa are linked.

Yet the mandatory arms embargo placed on the Republic by the U.N. means South Africa is unable to patrol the strategically important sea lanes around the Cape. On the other hand, the build up of the Soviet naval presence in the Indian Ocean is

not hindered by such embargoes.

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Getty funds will go to museum

Malibu is being turned over

Company stock, worth at the larly grave.

Some \$700m (about £3.6m) to the museum he had built in spectacular rise to power to

After long delays because of lawsuits and tax disputes the funds now are worth in excess of \$1,000m because of four to one stock split and two stock sales and the current high interest rates.

The transfer of funds, however, began this week and will continue for the next and will continue for the next few days. Under the Econ-omic Recovery Tax Act of 1981, Mr J. Patrick Whaley, the museum attorney, said the museum would be re-quired to distribute 4.5 per cent of its endowment three out of every four years. It is, therefore, expected to spend nearly \$50m a year.

Last year the museum spent only \$4.5m, so the

This week's visit - con-

remed with elephant preservation — to Sri Lanka by the Duke of Edinburgh, the president of the World Wildlife Fund, makes a thorough contrast to royal visits of vectoryear when elephant

yesteryear when elephant hunts were the first item on

the programme of visiting British royalty. William Howard Russell,

William Howard Russell, remembered for his dispatches on the Indian Mutiny and the Crimean War, accompanied the Prince of Wales (later Edward VII) on a visit to Ceylon in 1877 and gave readers of The Times a bullet by bullet description of how the Prince shot an

how the Prince shot an elephant and "according to custom, cut off the tail. As soon as his back was turned, the Cingalese (sic) took pieces from the ears as trophies of the day."

Elephants from Ceylon

were used by Hannibal in his campaign in the Alps, and

Bulgaria purges officials for embezzlement

From Dessa Trevisan Belgrade, March 3

From Ivor Davis
Los Angeles, March 3

After being tied up in litigation for almost six years the J. Paul Getty bequest to his Californian museum in Malibu is being the missing members of ation and was the initiator and the spirit behind the worldwide publicity campaign. But since her death tonnected with lavish festivities last year for the country's thirteen hundredth anniversary.

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Malibu is being turned over to the seaside institution. The bequest will probably make it the richest museum in the world.

When the oil tycoon died in June, 1976, he left four million shares of Getty Oil Company stock, worth at the larly grave.

Among them 18 Mr Zhivko Popov, the former Ambassador in Prague and until his ambassadorial appointment the second man in the Foreign Ministry. He has also been expelled from the Communist Party, indicating that his offence was particularly grave.

southern California, but had never visited, although he is buried in the grounds.

Ljudmila Zhivkova, President Zhivkov's daughter, who died last July after organizing the spectacular anniversary cel-ebrations. Her death obviously precipitated the fall from grace of her proteges and raised questions about the vast sums she had spent on the festival.

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The anniversary, which was celebrated all over Europe, culminated last October with a jubilee in Sofia attended by 4,000 dignitaries. About 50 jubilee committees were set up abroad to popularize Bulga-ria, past and present.

A fund was opened for Hungary assembling papers and objects of historical value. Private persons and state organizations were asked to From give financial support and

Duke follows a fresh trail

From Our Correspondent, Colombo, March 3

exports continued until the

last century. British sports-men and officials shot ele-

phants like stray dogs. Major William Rogers killed 1,400; Sir Samuel Baker bagged around 1,000; and Major Thomas Skinner's score was

Today, the Asian elephant faces extinction. There are only between 2,500 to 3,000 left in Sri Lanka, and between 20,000 to 30,000 in

the whole of Asia.

The greatest danger to the survival of elephants is from slaughter for the manufacture of curios for sale to

Mr Lyn de Alwis, the director of Wild Life Conser-

vation, has shown the Duke 50 ivory bangles and two carved ivory elephants which are all that now remains of a

magnificent tusker killed by poachers who had sold the

tusks for 150,000 (about £4,000).

tourists

Among them is Mr Zhivko by Bulgarian enbassies. **Another Central Committee**

member, Mr Mirco Spasov. who lost his post, is also believed to have been connec-ted with the scandal. However, the Politburo member Mr Peko Takov, was said to have been relieved of his post

DEconomic reform: Compared with neighbouring Romania or trouble-ridden Poland, Bulgaria has been doing well economically but it has obviously reached the point where economic reforms have become imperative. Since the beginning of this year reforms have started in earnest to achieve greater efficiency through incentives and rational use of resources.

The most important change is to link wages and salaries to performance — the first recognition of the profit motive on the lines which Hungary has been practising successfully for more than a

From now on, Bulgarian enterprises will be able to obtain fund only after they spent only \$4.5m, so the increased revenue is enormous. New York's much larger Metropolitan Museum of Art has a budget of \$27m.

give tinancial support and enterprises will be able to vast sums were being spent obtain fund only after they on expensive publications have marketed their output. Which were distributed freely Hitherto they were often throughout the world. Mrs producing unsaleable goods Zhivkova chaired the oper-fit only for the storehouses.

The bangles and carved elephants which were seized by officials will be preserved

in a special museum as a reminder of the danger to one of the country's greatest

natural assets.

About half of the Sri
Lanka elephant population is

concentrated on one million acres of land that are being developed under the multipurpose Mahaveli river diver-

sion scheme. During his visit the Duke will watch an elephant drive in which hundreds of tuskers will be driven from areas scheduled

for development under the Mahaveli scheme to the

last year after a conference organised by the Inter-national Union for the Con-

servation of Nature and Natural Resources.

The decision, which everyone expected the Cabinet to take yesterday, has been left to the government committee on prices so as not to give it too obvious a political flavour. But the proximity of the local elections on March 14, the first national test of

the Government's popularity, will obviously be a main consideration. This is confirmed by the fact that a new system of calculating the price of energy, to bring it more into line with fluctuations in the world oil market, is still under negotiation between the government and oil

Previously, the price of oil products was fixed on the basis of a number of factors, including the dollar exchange rate. This system was suspended last summer. If it had not been, petrol prices calculated on a dollar exchage rate of 5.46 francs should have been raised by 20 centimes a litre now that the dollar is

worth more than 6 francs. The loss to the oil indus-The loss to the oil industry, which suffers from surplus refining capacity and rising costs, will be practically cancelled by an increase in the price of diesel oil and domestic fuel, which is hardly likely to be popular with farmers and road hauliers.

The Government also has economic reasons for its

economic reasons for its decision. In France petrol costs some 50 francs more a ton than the European average, while the price of diesel and fuel oil is about 50 francs lower. The Government can also argue that the fall in world prices should have repercussions on the price of petrol

Against this is the argument that the price cut could have waited a few weeks until the new system of calculating prices had been agreed with refiners, as some ministers argued; and that cutting petrol prices is an encouragement to use cars rather than public transport and there-fore hardly consistent with

the energy saving policy.
But the Frenchman and his sacrosanct car, for which he safety of the Wilpattu Park, which is 65 miles away.

Sri Lanka was chosen as the headquarters for the Asian Elephant Secretariate last year after a conference is ready to sacrifice other items of his budget, like food, has won against all economic argument, the more so as the petrol price

cut will compensate the adverse psychological effects of other increases. These include risse in gas and electricity rates.

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Manyhile, Mr Alexander Here the Secretary of State, resired in testimony to the Hose foreign affairs comjedist guerrillas in El Salva-

He did not give details of evidence but said it had see presented to conal intelligence committees within the past week. Answering questions, Mr Haig said: "The operations of guerrilla forces inside Salva-dor are controlled from external command control."

The Reagan Administration has priviously said that Caribbean countries were confronted by a growing threat from Cuba and its new-found ally Nicaragua into El Salvador was again

aproaching high levels.
But Mr Hig's statement
yesterday was one of the
strongest official allegations
yet that the insurgency

The louse of Representa- aginsnt the American-backed Government of President Duarte "is not controlled by From Paul Ellman

been no progress around here", said Sister Anselm, a

Swansea-born member of the

She requested a meeting

Wednesday Mass.

Mr Haig, however, assured the man political factions in to introduce American com-bel Salidor The House vote bata troops were being con-vessely was 396 in favour sidered even if the March 28 and the against. the committee that no plans resolution said that El Salvador had "the worst

On the question of nego-tiations, Mr Haig had told the for the and open democratic committee: "We must not be misled by the myth that the Duarate Government has refused to negotiate an end to the trouble in El Salvador with the Guerrillas."

Mr Haig added: "President Duarte has offered to nego-tiate on the electoral process, so that elections can proceed peacefully and the people of El Salvador can choose their own leaders without fear. The United States supports

He noted that the Council of Bishops of El Salvador supported the electoral process, too, and had echoed the Government's call for all groups to desist from using violence to block the elections. The guerrillas have repeatedly refused to take part in the elections.

Mr Haig also said he expected increased guerrilla activities between now and the Marsch 28 elections are

with Mr Hinton after dis-covering the bodies of three women parishioners who had been detained by the National Guard after attending Ash the March 28 elections as part of a campaign to disrupt that process.

Leading article, page 13 Mr Hinton had come to San Francisco Gotera, the

Tragedy in El Salvador

Weeping nun tells of mutilations in the field



Class favourite: President Duarte with schoolchildren in La Libertad during the campaign.

forces towards civilians.
"I think we made it abundantly clear that there's capital of Marazan province, tain trails from their home in for talks with local military commanders on the situation in this region, which had seen some of the most bitter fighting of the war.

Order of the Sisters of St Clare, who has worked in El Salvador for almost 10 years. the ambassador on her re-turn from the town of Cacaopera, nine miles north of here, where the three women's bodies were found in a field. Two of them were the wife and sister of a catechist. Senor Andres Perez. To attend Mass they walked 10 miles along moun-

a village deep inside territory controlled by gurerrillas of the Farabundo Marti National Liberation Front.

Senor Perez managed to escope from the National Guard outpost and, dressed only in his underwear, made his way back to his three children, "The body of his wife had been hideously mutilated. I knelt down by it to say a prayer but I just burst into tears," Sister Anselm said.

What happens to your

other two other nuns from something. It really was a the convent — Sister Jean, from Port Talbot, Wales, and Sister Phyllis, from Florida goes on all the time here."

Sister Anselm said. Accompanied by Sister Phyllis. three Irish Franciscan priests, to meet Mr Hinton, but had declined originally

regarded as a public relations what happened, that it would taken a year before the be better to talk with the alleged killers of four Ameriambassador and ask him if can nuns were charged.

because they did not want to

be associated with what they

She said that she and the the United States couldn't do she spent five minutes with Mr Hinton in a small room in the convent. "Mr Hinton said this was the sort of thing he was hearing all the time but that it was difficult for him. exercise. that it was difficult for him.
"But, I decided, in view of He reminded us that it had



"He told us he was putting pressure on the Salvadoran military all the time, but that these people think different-" the nun said, adding that she had wept throughout the interview.

Asked to comment on this account of the meeting and the ambassador's apparently pessimistic assessment of prospects for ending excesses against the civilian population, a spokesman for the United States embasst in San Salvador said that the ambassador regarded the meeting as private.

Mr Hinton was appointed ambassador to El Salvador by President Reagan last year after the dismissal of his predecessor, Mr Robert

□San Salvador: The ruling junta has launched a campaign to persuade people that parliamentary elections this mouth could help to end the war (Reuter reports).

President Duarte last night dismissed left-wing opposition charges that the present state of siege and continuing violence meant that fair elections for a constituent assembly could not be held as scheduled

Go-between role denied by general

Lieutenant-General Peter Walls, the former Zimbabwe Army Commander, today flatly denied through his lawyers here that be had arranged meetings between representatives of the South African Government and Mr Joshua Nkomo, the

former coalition partner. The statement comes after recent allegations in Salisbury that General Walls had arranged meetings while Mr Nkomo was allegedly plotting a coup to overthrow Mr Robert Mugabe, the

capacity of Minister of prepared to answer the

Saboteurs in South Africa for activities here.

General Walls has lived in South Africa since being barred from Zimbabwe after Magugu, the Kenyan Finance Magugu, the Kenyan Finance coup to oust Mr Mugabe.

From Our Correspondent Nairobi, March 3

is working to overcome what it regards as a misunder-standing of its proposals for a Namibian constitution, Lord Carrington, the British

reported back.
In the past fortnight, Mr
Mugabe and a senior minister have claimed that General Walls had organized two meetings between Mr Nkomo and South African military

Besides being entertained to hunch today by President Moi, Lord Carrington attended a ceremony at which the Kenyan President opened new premises for the British Council here. The and South African military British Council here. The men who had dismissed his Queen sent a message of appeals for help from good wishes on an occasion Pretoria in staging a coup. which, she said, symbolized the minster also claimed that the warm and friendly the general was recruiting relationship between Britain

admitting in an interview that. Minister, for the supply of he had considered leading a 5,000 tons of wheat under the British food aid programme. In his statement he denied It will be sold on the Kenyan planning or taking part in market and the proceeds will my activities detrimental to be used to finance agreed the Government of Zimbabwe development projects.

Carrington speaks for five nations

The Western contact group Foreign Secretary, said here today at the end of his African tour.

Addresing a press conference afer meeting Presicent Moi, the current chairman of the Organization of African Unity, he said the five-nation contact group was doing its best to make sure that its proposals - including a

Mr Robert Mugane, the Prime Minister:

The former commander said that he had only met Mr Nkomo in connexion with the integration of his guerrilla supporters in the Army. He nided: "These were at the instance of Mr Mugabe in his cated. A paper was now being conseits of Minister of menared to answer the

Soaring crime is blamed on American affluence

From Christopher Thomas, New York, March 3

Every city in the United States has experienced a surge in crime in the past 30 years, according to a study conducted for the Department of

it points to a surprising smilarity in the rate of accesse in cities that are different in location, size and minority population, and plays down the role of race and poverty in crime rates.

near Chicago spent three and a they said. trends between 1948 and 1978 bearing no resemblance to in every city with a population of more than 50,000, a total of

Dr Herbert Jacob and Dr Robert Lineberry wrote: "The growth of crime appears to be the result of fundamental TEES in the lifestyles of Americans. It is the result of leave goods unguarded in themselves to dangerous Jose and Phoenix.

situations in travelling around their cities."
They added that it was also the consequence of the existence of a larger pool of

potential offenders for reasons not well understood by criminologists. They concluded that crime had surged everywhere in the United States regardless of local efforts to stem the tide. "Whether local officials The North-Western Univer- engaged in Herculean efforts sity's Centre for Urban or none at all, the crime wave Affairs and Policy Research affected their community",

The report said that cities each other had a remarkably similar rise in crime. "Both the Newarks and the Hous-tons of the United States experienced substantial rises in their reported crime rates.

Ten cities were studied in depth. Newark, New Jersey, which has a declining popugreater affluence which made lation, suffered the most with for valuable goods available a sevenfold rise in property theft a condition crime and an elevenfold aggravated by the greater increase in violent crime propensity of Americans to Property crime doubled and leave Property crime doubled and violent crime quadrupled in homes and expose the thriving cities, of San

Savak torture 'revived' From Our Correspondent, Geneva, March 3

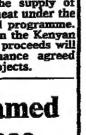
are being used on detainees in Evin prison, Tehran, according to a report submitted today to the United Nations Human Rights

"Three years ago ... no one expected the old Savak apparatus would be revived dengeons would become Isla-

Savak, the iranian secret police of the Shar's regime.

Tortures developed by mic torture chambers', the report said. It was prepared report said. It was prepared by the International Solidariare being used as a secret for Defence of the ty Front for Defence of the Iranian People's Democratic

Rights. The number of Iranians killed by the Khomein regime in the second half of last year is much higher than the official figure of 2,596" soon or that the Pahlavi gation of rights violations





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Yates: romantic Twenties snob

"The wanton breeze", wrote the author of Berry and Co in 1920, caught in the maze of tufted pinnocles, filtered its chastened way, a pensive organist, learned to draw grace litanies from the boughs and reverently voice the air of sanctity. The fresh familiar scent hung for a smokeless incense, breathing high ritual and redolent of pious mystery. No circumstance of worship was unobserved. With one consent brids, beasts and insects made not a sound. The precious pall of silence lay like a phantom cloud, unruffled. Nature was on her knees.

The car fled on.

There is something very gamey about the prose-poems of Cecil William Mercer, alias Dornford Yates (1885-1960). They were inserted regularly inside the racy and exciting comic stories he wrote for the *Windsor* magazine, and were composed, his first biographer now tells us, with infinite care and love for the language of William Shakespeare. It is true that every syllable takes its place within the whole, but it is undeniable that the fresh familiar scent of 1920 (characteristically undefined by Yates, who preferred the frisson to the specific) smells distinctly well-hung today. Landscape, religion and sex are inspirationally locked in foetid embrace.

A. J. Smithers, military biographer and historian, Yates-addict and collector for many years, seems to think that this kind of thing has not dated, and that only the presence of words like "Nazi" ties Yates's writing to the years between the two wars. But absolutely everything about it does so, and to maintain otherwise is to remove much of the historic charm through which he might possibly attract new readers today.

He was perhaps the first popular poet of the motor car, certainly of the Rolls-Royce, in joyous flight down B-Berry and I Look Back in each book with care, but deserted roads, and, in the 1958. biographicaly there is such a heroic adolescence of the For Mercer was a snob, shortage of first-hand telephone, he was master of prey to the false values material that he digresses,

By Rebecca West

precocious newcomer.

People have been writing books about particular years

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(Weidenfeld & Nicolson, £10)

By A. J. Smithers
(Hodder and Stoughton, E8.95)

HOST Beloved of running gags, the wrong number and the crossed line. He writes about stockings, pyjamas and chocolates in a those most beloved of runmanner both erotic and merely flirtatious, but always entirely English and of its time. To distract post-war readers from the evident misery of England's moral decline, he rarely used a second secon modern word where an old one would clang more suggestively and he drew upon archaic language much as the spec builders of the day turned the craftmanship of artists between Morris and Lutyens into the mass-produced Tudorbethan allusions of Metro-land.

Much of the fancy prose, Smithers points out, com from the patterned speech of the Bar, to which Mercer apprenticed himself between taking a Third in Jurispru-dence at Oxford and volunteering promptly for the Front in 1914. One reason he got only a Third was that he had been President of OUDS: "Not many people were likely to outshine him," Smithers comments, "largely because few were interested enough to want to try": a moment of biographer's was not, but not even a

French, though deigning to out his only child: Richard, live at Pau for thirty years another disappointment.'

Rebecca is perhaps the first

who, choosing a year getting on for a century before the

ments that were gestating, occurring or past their prime in the last year of Queen

Of course she fills in the

facts from hindsight, and enlarges upon them from the

Victoria's reign.

It is not often, especially in date of publication, can write reviewing non-fiction, that of it from personal experione discovers an absolutely ence. It is true that she was

fresh, original and invigorate only six at the turn of the ing style. It is true that Dame century, but still she can Rebecca West has been recall at least the impressions

employing hers for more and rumours of the time: than 70 years, but like most the death of Gladstone,

people, I suspect, I know her Mafeking, the Dreyfus more for her reputation than Affair, the presence in the for her actual writing: and world of Debussy and Ravel,

Rebecca on the last year of Victoria's reign

immense stock of miscel- quirks, too, but then they are laneous learning she has almost always a joy. How amassed since then, but still delightful to suppose that in many ways this is the view Edward VII and Alice Keppel

of an English child growing enjoyed each other's com-up in Richmond in that pany because they would

portentous year. It is an both really like to have been Anglocentric view, tinged civil servants! How fascinatalways with compassion, shot ing to learn that the Tsar's through with merriment, anti-semitism was born when slightly bitter sometimes, a mad Japanese waiter

slightly bitter sometimes, a mad Japanese waiter especially about men, and in some respects vividly simplistic: America looks wholly innocent, through these



attendant on insecurity and from the particular to the ambition; he beat defenceless general wherever possible, desperation, there, suggest- ambition; he beat detenceress ing that Mercer was dull. He young servants and shouted at bank clerks. He married a was not, but not even a disagraphy as decent and sympathetic as this could disguise that he was an absolute pain.

The married a dancer from Chu Chin Chow — Oscar Asche was one of his few friends — neglected her for his work, and was surprised when she attracted Born into a family scandal reptilian locals; they divorced of suicide following a conviction for fraud, he grew up pitifully obsessed with bitterness, disappointment and surprised when she attracted reptilian locals; they divorced in 1932. When not conversing with his second wife Elizapitifully obsessed with bitterness, disappointment ness, disappointment and talked to an antique picture-fear of failure. Anti-semitic, clock, leaving precise in-he also disliked Germans and structions for its dismember-Americans, and detested the ment in the will that also cut

because of the rheumatism that had invalided him out of the war (another humiliation). He did not much care for the English, come to that, save the well-bred, witty and brave creatures he invented and sustained through more surviving; papers and pubthan thirty books from The Brother of Daphne (1914) to B-Berry and I Look Back in 1958.

To write of Bill Mercer/Dornford Yates at all in detail is difficult. Both wives are dead: Mercer conceals much of his own identity in seem to be few letters and sustained through more surviving; papers and pubthan thirty books from The Brother of Daphne (1914) to the war. Smithers describes each book with care, but biographicaly there is such a shortage of first-hand

of history at least since young eyes of fin-de-siècle, grandfather! Dame Rebecca's Philip Guedalla, but Dame France looks unattainably allusive technique, her com-

worldly, England astonish-ingly full-blown, while in Africa, Asia and Australasia

nothing much seems to be happening at all, unless you count the Boer War or the

So startling is the clarity of

find the text not altogether infallible. They were British

soldiers, not Boers, slumped

"rise as one man" to join the Great Trek — thousands did not rise at all — and Joseph

Chamberlain was distinctly

The book is full of gossipy

pany because they would both really like to have been

Secretary to the

Boxer Rising. '

producing an effect at once of long-windedness combined with short breath. He frames this portrait of an artist "on the outside looking in" with a perspective of England and Englishness in the twentieth century entirely at one with the subject's own, but which might be thought by modern readers to lie somewhat to the right of Sir Herbert

There is no denying the defensive gallantry and discretion with which he has performed his task, but he is writing for the converted, and with an author as idiosyncratic as Dornford Yates this is no longer enough. "Colonel Wyrley-Birch, now over ninety, has been kind enough to tell me that he liked the man." No sentence could define more clearly the pathos of his achievement of the uphill nature of the task.

Michael Ratcliffe

allusive technique, her com-bination of scholarly criti-

cism and often old-fashioned

slang ("barmy", "super-nasties"), gives the whole

thing a most piquant and

Not that it is slight work.

Though it is presented album-style it is far more

idiosyncratic appeal

integrity.

trade it in.

The eyes | The movement Down Under of Russia

The KGB By Harry Rositke (Sidgwick & Jackson, £8.95)

At the height of the Blunt Affair a few years ago a senior member of the British senior memoer or the british intelligence community was asked to compare the abilities of various espionage organi-zations. High on his list were zations. High on his list were
Mossad, the Israeli espionage
group, MI6, not unnaturally,
and the KGB. "The other
side are very good you know.
Very good", he said.
And well they might be. No
other intelligence organization holds such a fundamental central place in its

British Isles to the Antipodes in the nineteenth century has been overshadowed by the trans-Atlantic traffic of the same period, but now Don Charlwood has tracked the movement Down Under almost as well as Terry Coleman handled his own theme in Passage to America some years ago. He can be forgiven for spending less time on the origins of migrants and preparations for their move than on the hazards of the voyage to Australia. This was, after all, the most spectacular aspect of the entire phenomenon. It mental, central place in its country's governmental structure. Perhaps only the CIA can lay claim to the same of the entire phenomenon. It could take up to six months by sailing ship, though in 1854 the clipper Lightning lived up to her name by making Melbourne from the resources.

Harry Rositke's study is the latest in a long line of Mersey in 63 days.

books attempting to reveal the nature of the beast which controls the Soviet Union's internal security, while launching such master spies as Richard Sorge, Philby, and Leopold Trepper.

Serge infiltrated the top Sorge infiltrated the top strata of pre-war Japan, forecasting the attack on Russia, Trepper also warned of the invasion and the thrust against Leningrad while the damage done by Philby within MI6 has yet to be fully revealed. There are many others besides; the Atom Spies who changed the balance of the Cold War, their successors who baye their successors who have reached into the secrets of the NATO and the West German government.

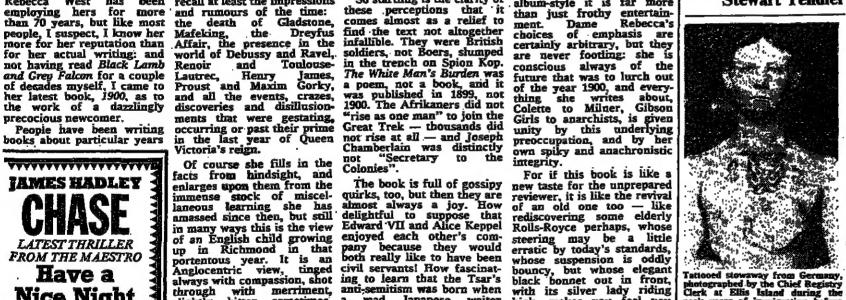
Often these were pro-fessional spies, trained by Moscow and owing allegiance to the Communist cause but Mr Rositke, a former CIA man, also chronicles the KGB's efforts to subborn others by blackmail or money. Cameramen were even out during the Anti-Vietnam demonstrations in London during the 1960s looking for expatriate Ameri-can students who might later be compromised.

It might be years before the pictures would be of value but Mr Rositke shows the KGB as an organization capable of infinite patience and careful research

Given the current fasci-nation with spies it is clearly no accident that Mr Rositke's work should appear now but there are no fresh revelations, no subtle hints of retired gentlemen apparently living a life of innocence. In many ways the book is a recapitulation

Its value is to provide a gloss on the events of recent years. If the picture it paints is grey rather than highly coloured that is because it reflects the true colour of the world of espionage.

Stewart Tendler



Tattooed stowaway from Germany, photographed by the Chief Registry Clerk at Ellis Island during the peak years of immigration before the First World War, from From Taibot to Stieglitz, Masterpieces of Early Photography from the New York Public Library by Julia Van Haafton (Thames & Hudson, £15)

everyone aboard except cap-tain Boyle. Some 26 emigrant ships simply disappeared between England and Austra-lia, taking an unknown number of passengers with them. The poor people in those that got through had years working in Lochaber for Sandy Grant in exchange Moorhouse From ally to cold-war enemy

of braw bachelors stepped lively up the gangways for several decades. It was the

young couples with children

who appeared to feel the wrench of leaving the home-

land that virtually none were
to see again. They thought
themselves lucky to have
been offered an assisted
passage by the Government,
anxious to populate the
Australian colonies with the

respectable as well as the convicted, or HP outfits like the Family Colonisation Loan

Society. Depending on your luck, you might get away for anything between £5 and £25.

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For these by no means paltry sums, the emigrants faced months of at least hardship and sometimes horror. When the Ticonderoga reached Port Phillip, she carried 96 corpses which would be joined by 80 more in the quarantine station within a few days, all dead of typhus which had visited everyone aboard except Captain Boyle. Some 26 emigrant

for his food, his clothes and endured disease, legular a £5 note. In Victoria he at saturation, mouldy fed and

vince found that he could water, stinking quarts and pick up 7s 6d just by slaughtering a bullock to oblige a neighbour before breakfast. No wonder hordes of braw bachelors stepped lively and statistically saturation, mouldy find and water, stinking quarts and intermittent panic to the prospect of death by rowning or fire. Anyone teding surgery faced it on began and lively and statistically saturation, mouldy find and water, stinking quarts and intermittent panic to the prospect of death by rowning or fire.

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that such folk product, in time, their Dennis Lille; or that those years saw the composition of that mountal hymn "For those in pen on the sea"

Mr Charlwood logs all

these rigours diligetly, though the less said agut the typography of his bek the better (it appears to his been planned by a committee of make-up men on the Day Mirror, which must have Allen Lane turning in his grave). Towards the end I was reminded of a magical

was reminded of a magical thing that aviation has re

long-distance travel, a small-but precious compensation for those awful weeks at sea.

Still 90 miles from Australia, William Howitt in 1855

opened a scuttle one morning

and "perceived an aromatic

odour, as of spicy flowers, blown from the land....

People could not at first believe it'.

Geoffrey

moved from the

By 1881, when the great period of emigration was coming to an end, almost a

million people had shipped out of Europe for Australia and New Zealand, and all but a bandful had left this

country. If we want a type he was young John Smith, who had spent more than three

The Long Farewell

By Don Charlwood

Mass migration from the British Isles to the Antipodes

Settlers under Sail

(Allen Lane, £10)

This is a great slag-heap of a book, mined from the vast deposits of Foreign Office papers at Kew. Victor Rothwell writes with a shovel and piles up the products of his excavations into the sort of ungainly mass which is apparently regarded as the best evidence of scholarship these days. Yet surprisingly these days. Yet surprisingly enough there are nuggets of pure gold and large, shiny gems to be found amid the denitus. The academic win derive profit from burrowing for them. The general reader may get pleasure from sliding down the edge of Mr Roth-ruthless well's agglomeration, picking powerful. them up as he goes.

Here are a few specimens. When the Nazis broke into the Russian missions Berlin and Paris in 1941 they found sound-proof torture chambers and miniature crematoria for disposing of the bodies of their victims. (Do they still exist in Lon-don?) In 1943 Winston Chur-

Britain and the Cold
War

By Victor Rothwell

(Cape, £16)

This is a great slag-heap of a book, mined from the vast deposits of Foreign Office papers at Kew. Victor Rothwell writes with a shovel and piles up the products of his or includent the birth-rate. When Molotov visited Chequers he slept with a pistol under his pillow and had his bed so made that he could leap out of it at speed if necessary. The Labour Foreign Section was so much as Montaigne's apes — the higher they climbed the more they displayed their posteriors.

Just after the war they criticized General Horrocks for giving tea parties for Union.

Such items are, of course, incidental to Mr Rothwell's main theme, which is to show how Britain and Russia turned from being hot-war allies into cold-war enemies. T' a basic reason is not far to seek. Having disposed of the Nazi dictator, the British and the Americans quickly found that they were confronting a ruthless and much more Stalin's brutal activities in eastern Europe, combined with West Ger-many's willingness to many's embrace democracy, precipi-tated the diplomatic

revolution. But much more interesting than the minutiae of interminable negotiations about such matters as the Soviet demand for a 10-year trusteeship over Tripolitania is the insight which this book affords into the mind of the chill said that he favoured insight which this book segregation of large numbers affords into the mind of the of Germans from their wives Foreign Office. And what a after the war in order to mind it was. Mr Rothwell

for giving tea parties for German children. They were "impressed by the benignity of Stalin" (who thought "sincere diplomacy" about as feasible as "dry water or iron wood"). Their callow assumption of racial superiority was expressed in the hope that mercurial, isolationist Americans would learn to behave like English-men. Their failure to comprehend the nature of totalitarianism was typified by their relative ignorance about the Final Solution and their repatriation of Cossack prisoners of war in 1945. They behaved as though Britain were a great power when this was no longer the case. One is bound to wonder whether the thought processes of today's highly-educated, socially-cohesive, bureaucratic mandarinate are

Piers Brendon

Jane's Kentish connexions

Jane Austen in Kent ladies are so generally celebrated. vulgar a term about Jane. It Smillers (Hurtwood, £7.95)

Jane is the model of a female friend: clever and fun, witty and ironic, and full of sharp but gentle curiosity about the world and particularly its inhabitants. We know her mainly from her books. She kept no journal, forming her style by writing history, skits, and fiction from the age of 11. But she understood the value of a journal. Remember Henry Tilney telling Catherine Morland: telling Catherine Moriand:

I am not so ignorant of young
ladies' ways as you wish to
believe me; it is this delightful
habit of journalising which
largely contributes to form the
easy style of writing for which

little piece of detective work. Her family came from Kent, and many of her relatives lived in the county. She started visiting them in Kent at the age of 12, and it was there she gained much of her experience of Country House life and the amorous effects Tilney of brass.

The little book takes us on tour of her Kentish visits around those great houses of Kent that she came to know well. It even has its little scoop, if one can use so

By David Waldren

Life-long love of the books discloses her close connexion with Chevening, where the Smithers into this pretty Prince of Wales so churlishly refused to live, where her There is much to be gained second cousin John Austen from studying the way in held the living. It demonwhich Jane made use of the strates persuasively that it places and people she knew was at Chevening that Jane as prototypes for locations found Hunsford, Rosings, and characters in her novels. Lady Catherine de Bourgh, and the egregious Mr Collins: The garden in which stands my humble abode, is separated only by a lane from Rosings Park, her ladyship's residence.

> Oh! who can ever be tired of Jane? This settles it. Easter reading is *Pride and* Prejudice, carrying on with Emma next, I think, and then the rest, noticing the Kentish references with a new eye.

> > Philip Howard

Fiction

Flanagan's Run By Tom McNab (Hodder & Stoughton, £7.95)

Another brilliant novel by author renowned for his evocative tales of early 20th-century Sossex life. Confessions of a **Homing Pigeon** By Nicholas Meyer (Hodder & Stoughton, £7.95)

Compelling story of a young gipsy girl and her baby who, the nuns thought, was Christ come simple a plot form as the whodunnit or the romance, but despite one or two outstanding examples such as Round the World in Eighty Round the World in Lighty
Days it has never developed into what is popularly called a "genre". Difficult to sustain the suspense. One race much like another. And so

The race is as attractively

Chariots of Fire, an outstandingly successful cinematic adaptation of the race formula. Now in this first novel he has found even better raw material for a robust, uncomplicated old-fashioned its obvious lack of conhictions.

Powderhall sprint, Kate Sheridan, who danced at Minsky's and is soon the only girl in the race; dour Mor-gan, the victim of strike-breaking bosses in Pennsyl-vania; Martinez, who is running for the future of his impoverished Mexican vil-lage; Flanagan himself, the

Irish-American impresario, who is staging the spectacular against political pressure from "the very top". And more. The best villains are an American hear from New Corp. by their swineish manager, von Moltke.

Mr McNab has injected various additional contests

along the way: a Highland on.
Tom McNab, a former characterization is not athlete and Olympic coach, exactly complex and the outcome, if you stop to think it always predictable;

by stowing away on the Queen Mary in 1956. On board he loses his heart and his virginity, not to mention the final of the ping-pong competition, In France he finds Uncle Fritz, who is not at all well. The Girl from the Overn Mark has proportion. ends in tears.

high, makes you feel you were a perfect fool ever to

Jan Morris

Mr Meyer teeters skittishly Aryan team from Nazi Ger- on the divide between realism many, doped to the eyeballs and fantasy, is almost always agreeable to read, occasionally very funny, and some-

times maudlin.

Jakov Lind's novella

Travels to the Enu (Eyre

Methuen, £6.50) starts off
with an acknowledgement to

Rosamond Lehmann "Our Master, Jonathan Swift". Despite this bad omen the book's first chapter, describing a gruesome "pleasure cruise" to Saraomen the book's first chapter, describing a gruesome It is much easier to evoke "pleasure cruise" to Sarawak, is distinctly promising, and turnoils of young love Unfortunately the book is never the same after the shipwreck.

It is much easier to evoke sympathy for the passions and turnoils of young love than for the lower-key emotions of disillusioned middle-age. But Rosamond I always manages this in 4

adaptation of the race formula. Now in this first novel he has found even better raw material for a robust, uncomplicated old-fashioned yarn guaranteed to appeal to the boy's own in everyman.

During the depression there was evidently a mad marathon known at the time as "The Great Bunion Derby". It began in Los Angeles and ended in New York. McNab has recreated this event, focusing on a small group of heroic attletes. There is the veteran in Los attletes. There is the veteran is the time of the first of the solutely and the prigon is the early life of an orphan whose parents, the flying Berninis, "left their bars and sprang for each other in mid-air". They liked to work without a net. The orphan George is sent to France to be looked after by his Uncle Fritz ("Uncle Fritz." T. Corachessan Boyle, and the properties and present the size of tennis balls and fuzzy hair inhabited by holy birds. There is a lot of rather heavy-handed play with fan-orphan whose parents, the flying Berninis, "left their bars and sprang for each other in mid-air". They liked to work without a net. The orphan George is sent to France to be looked after by his Uncle Fritz ("Uncle Fritz". T. Corachessan Boyle, and the properties and chapter and properties and pr The islanders among whom heavy-handed play with fan-tasy languages, moralities, for ten years, and military systems and employ-ment figures before the satisfaction in her life.

named Thurleigh who struck a wager at the Reform Club; much care for life in Chicago his times — history as it Hugh McPhail, an out-of-work miner who won the run away and find Uncle seems an odd thing to much care for life in Chicago rus and so, aged 14, he decides to might have been". It is run away and find Uncle seems an odd thing to Fritz. This he accomplishes attempt, the history and diaries of Mungo Park being account of the diaries o perfectly adequate already; but Salman Rushdie says of Water Music (Gollancz, £8.95): "Gulp it down. It beats getting drunk." A matter of taste, perhaps. Professor Boyle has an Queen Mary has gone on to evident relish for words but Perugia to learn Italian but that hardly justifies such a they are reunited at the lengthy devotion to such a American Express office. It weak idea.

Tim Heald

Paperbacks

(Virago, £3.25)

middle-age. But Rosamond Lehmann manages this in A Note in Music. Her heroines, both past their prime, lead a melancholy existence in a dreary North Country provincial town. Each is all but estranged from her husband for ten years, and seems almost unaware of the dissatisfaction in her life.

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Norah MacKay, married to explaining great thinkers like a cantankerous professor. Plato, great gurus like Guehas only painful memories of vara, and great frauds like a youthful love affair cut McLuhan. In the Eighties we short by the war and her no longer expect a saviour. worship of her two young But we look for explanations sons to occupy her. Although and hope from the new ways the two women rarely meet of looking at the world. there is a powerful friendship between them.

The upheaval caused by the arrival and subsequent departure of brother and sister Brown. Anthropology is a leaves everything just as it kind of Micro-sociology. The was — and yet totally different. This book is about disappointment and failure — but it is far from gloomy.

but it is far from gloomy. With great sensitivity the

author brings the four unre-markable characters to life; and from the tangled web of despair and solitude emerge Flora Casement

Grace Fairfax placidly accepts her rather pompous, predictable husband, and her hideously-furnished house which accepts her rather pompous, and her hideously-furnished house

can best be understood by close observation of the behaviour patterns of people rash of series of little books who live in domestic groups, and in the ritual formalities of marriage. Robert A. Hinde has written Ethology, which looks for answers to the question of why animals, or people, behave as they do. In Religion Leszek Kolakowski

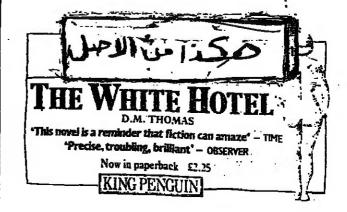
today, offers an introduction to the midst of these four to the brave new academic disciplines that are pioneer-In the midst of these four sunless and totally separate lives comes Hugh Miller; young, graceful and with a careless and unconscious charm. It is Hugh and his beautiful red-haired sister Clare who, during their fleeting visit to the depressing town, have a disturbing and diverse effect on the two couples.

The unheaval caused by the disciplines that are pioneer-ing away on the frontiers of science and metaphysics. The first three titles are published simultaneously by Fontana at £2.50, and by Oxford in Hardback at £9.50. Sir Edmund Leach introduces Social Anthropology, particularly his own style of it rooted in the functionalism of Malinowski, the structuralism of Levi-Strauss, and the The upheaval caused by the lism of Levi-Strauss, and the

This new series, starting

discusses the philosophical arguments for and against the existence of God. The three authors are masters in their fields, and their books are magisterial and useful introductions, though not always free from the jargon to which the social sciences are prone. We should not be surprised by this. It took physics at least a century to settle down into its familiar jargon. After these introductions of the settle down in the set of the settle down in the set of the settle down in the set of the tions one can go on to read bigger books in the subjects by the authors themselves, by Lévi-Strauss, by Plato, and even by St Paul.

Philip Howard



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Human survivors Afternath: France 1945-54

Ar Gallery

on between last year's exhibition Paris-Paris fishoot Aftermath, the opening exhibition at the brand-new Biritan Centre gallery (until June 137 is ery illuminating of what goes, or is gased to go, in London For, goes the first announced intended was to bring over the Pariswas to bring over the Paris-slow, what finally emerges is w ind very different show, with a nandful of pieces in common. The Paris show, though allegedly adering the period 1937-57, was scale, and in that with the central scole de Paris and its progression awards its last moment of glory, with the abstract art of De Stael, Soulages, Manessier and others, just before the crown of world leafership in art was soutched by New York. Now all those abstract agists, though still names in France (and gradually emerging from the siadowy side of fashion everywhere else), would mean little in Britain today - not to mention the famous British bias against the non-figurative. So instead the organizers of Aftermath, Germain Viatte and Sarah Wilson (one French one British, you note), have turned away

and the outsiders, most of whom were concerned one way and another with the great humanist, or at least human, themes Hence De Staël is represented by just one painting, a semi-abstract

from the Ecole de Paris, and in general from the abstract, to

concentrate instead on the survivors

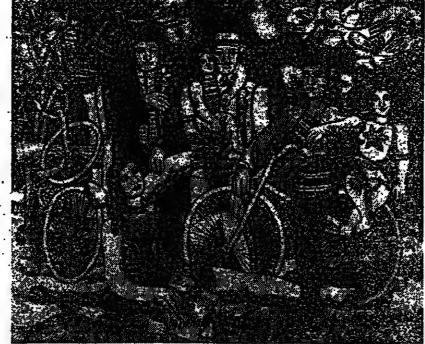
called La Vie dure (which one suspect is there more for its title than anything else). Other abstractionists are quite absent, or dragged in somehow through connexions with surrealism or some real or fancied use of the abstract as a sort of psychodrama in which human anguish, agony and horror (nothing anguish, agony and horror (nothing cheery) are represented by abstractions because too painful to approach directly through representations. The argument is, well, arguable, but it does not prevent the show itself from being thoroughly exciting and thought-provoking. We are taken carefuly through from the generally unregarded French regenerally unregarded French re-alists of the Thirties, people like Andre Fougeron and Francis Gruber, and shown what they were doing after the war. We are reminded that several great masters who never deserted representation completely

— Picasso, Matisse, Braque, Leger,
even Bonnard — were still active.

And so to the real centre of this

art, all in an attempt to find and define "new images of Man". Dubuffet naturally figures prominently here, and it must be said that, represented by a few of his works (that may be the key, for in large numbers they become very monotonous), cumingly placed in context like this, he has seldom looked better. Some strange anticipations are also turned up — an pations are also turned up — an earth-relief painting by Zoltan Kemeny from as early as 1947, some astonishing paintings done by Stuart Gilbert in Dublin in the early Forties, which seem to relate to nothing anywhere around. And the

show: the Art Brut movement, with its deliberate harking back to primitive art, child art and psychotic



Léger's "Les Loisirs": a master still then active

sense of a group of disparate artists all for the moment going the same

way is strongly created. The exhibition certainly does not show, or even claim to show, the one, central way of approaching art in the postwar decade, in Paris or anywhere else. Rather, it proposes a group of surprisingly accessible artists and attitudes to us for our consideration and, with any luck, any surprise to the proposed of the propos consideration and, with any luck, enjoyment. The exercise is persuasive: the unfamiliar are related tellingly to the familiar—as usual, Picasso is the inclusive figure in whom clues to everything else can somehow be found—and great isolated figures like Balthus can at last be seen to have a context (he not least in the work of his writerbrother Pierre Klossowski).
Mathieu's calligraphic action-painting is included with a couple of his more bearable early works, and even, at the other end of the the biner end of the spectrum, the dread Bernard Buffet, though mercifully not with emaciated blue clowns.

The gallery itself turns out, despite what must have been feared

from published plans and projec-tions, a rather pleasant, manageable space on two floors. This, it appears, is largely by dint of covering almost entirely the architects' original concept.

Theatre.

Venom on the institution

Another Country

Queen's

Do not be misled by Julian Mitchell's title, as this brilliantly written study of English public school life in the 1930s relates directly to the old moles who are still coming up out of the English

Another Country is about the self-governing hierarchy from prefects to fags which famously marks its survivors for life. It has much in common with the Army system of handing out crude disciplinarian duties to the Other Ranks; but Mr Mitchell concentrates with single-minded venom on the closed institution of his choice. leaving it to the spectator to make the connexion with other British authoritatian

With the exception of a With the exception of a water Pater-quoting uncle (illustrating what the system has done to the previous generation), the cast consists entirely of the boys. They corresent every shade of represent every shade of response from total militaristic acceptance of the rules to structured political de-fiance. Plenty of room, you might think, for any kind of boy to make his own terms with the silly old place; were it not for the fact that the first event in the play is the suicide of a boy due to be expelled for homosexuality.

This calamity is quite

instant effect of the death is way open for the appalling Fowler (played by Michael Parkhouse as a baby-faced the two characters you most want to assume control.

These are Bennett and Judd, who embody the two dominant forms of rebellion against the public school ethic. Bennett is a serious and unashamed homosexual, at first seen training binoculars on his beloved through the library window. Judd is an inflammable Marxist, driven mad by the incessant interruptions that prevent him from getting on with his chosen line of research. Very cunningly, Mr Mitchell intro-

duces both of them as mere boys. Bennett, hair flapping over his eyes as he moons over his eyes as he moons over his unattainable partner, seems merely to be going through a phase. Judd, shooting off about self-perpetuating oligarchies and playing the barrack-room lawyer to the officious Fowler, seems equally in the grip of adolescent bigotry.

This calamity is quite As the play develops and enough to generate a plot the spectator becomes a

whose main business is to temporary captive in its little explore the frustrations, world, so the characters desires and hatreds of a miscellaneous collection of people who world and the second may be a Stalinist, and the second may be a stalinist may be a stalinist may be a second may be a stalinist may be a second may be a stalinist may be a stalinist may be a second ma people who are receiving but you cannot fault his their basic training in the art arguments against the of personal concealment. The school, or his incorruptible resistance to joining the to provoke a purge in the officer class. Bennett occu-house in which the Head pies an even stronger pos-Prefect (a gentlemanly ition. To be a Communist in a liberal) cracks, leaving the is a joke. But homosexuality is no joke in that setting; and Parkhouse as a baby-faced when Bennett is sentenced to Mussolini) to succeed him: a a thrashing for sabotaging a move that is finally frus- Cadet Force parade (by a trated also at the expense of court of prefects ludicrously struting round in OTC uniform), he escapes by insolently threatening to reveal a full list of his sex partners. In that furtive environment, there is no defence against someone who is prepared to spill the beans.

There have been some cast changes in Stuart Burge's production since it appearance at Greenwich; and one of these enables me to salute. Kenneth Branagh (Judd) as a stunningly accomplished new actor, whose ideological rages, control of sulphurous parody, and moments of reluctant warmth are alone worth the price of the show. He has a magnificently febrile parmer in Rupert Everett; and the production as a whole is an extraordinary triumph of juvenile casting. Bernard Culshaw's revolving sets reveal the cramped, seedy quarters within the baronial facade.

Irving Wardle

Interview: Roy Hudd

The image of Bud Flanagan

Roy Hudd's conversation is a suit — Max Miller — then a sentimental tear. It rep-blizzard of jokes, references man in a fur coat and a resents a peculiarly English to jokes and evangelistic fervour about the comedy tradition. He thrusts his face into yours, the better to convince you of the fabulous riches of music hall and of course to try out the oc-

casional new gag.

He has millions of gags,
but his favourites are all timeless yet topical, unarchic yet relying on a common cultural fund. They tend to prove his credo — that comedy never changes, that there is nothing new behind the footlights and there never will be. Monty Python and the Goons are the descendants of Dan Leno and Grimaldi, while Hudd himself inherits the mantles of Max Miller and Bud Flanagan.

Miller and Bud Flanagan.
So it is only appropriate that from tonight he plays the latter at the Prince of Wales in Underneath the Arches, a biography of the team of Flanagam and Chesney Allen. The show was evolved for the Chichester evolved for the Chichester Festival by Patrick Garland and Brian Glanville, though it was Hudd himself who came up with the idea of using the original sketches to bear the narrative. And, mysteriously, it was Flanagan who first cast Hudd.

"I really have no idea why. I really have no loca why.

I only met him casually two
or three times. Really I knew
his missus better — but don't
tell Bud — and I was talking
to her some time after he had
died and she told me he had hoped one day I would play him" Perhaps Flanagan had detected within Hudd the obsessive fascination with variety and music hall which had been imprinted by early childhood trips to the theatre

with his grandmother.
My earliest memories are of a man in a great big floral

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boater - that was Bud - and . then of a panto at Croydon where the backcleth showed



Hudd as Flanagan

combination of dissolute bawdy and maudlin camaradwhere the backcleth showed erie. Hudd indentifies this the road leading up to the talent as the prime charactercastle. I could never under- istic which set Flanagan stand why characters leaving apart in his days with the the stage to go to the castle didn't actually go up that road."

Which set Planagan apart in his days with the Crazy Gang — "He was didn't actually go up that road."

Those images have inspired
Hudd-to become an expert on
variety and music hall. The
chesney Allen, succeeds as it
names, the gags and the
songs pepper his conversation on almost any subject.
But it is not scholarship; it is

Very at the Prince of Wales. But it is not scholarship; it is year at the Prince of Wales, merely a celebratory identification with the way his genial an interest in the part. He soulmates survived in the reckons the 18 months for business. "People are always which he played Fagin in the part." business. "People are always which he played ragin in getting deep about comedy. Oliver! was just about six But it's simple for me. If it months too long. But live gets a laugh it's in, if it theatre is essential to him. doesn't it's out, however in hate television. The funny I think it is"

In the case of Flanagan the in television the only kick-

trick which lifted mere back is the money. In theatrestrivial to real success was it's the audience. The magic the rapid change of mood. In might all be over in one a sentence the audience's night, but life's like that."

a sentence the audiences required response was switched from belly laugh to become a kind of mandarin of comedy, a fast-talking, lapel-grabbing practical historian of its modes and vocabulary. He takes deep satisfaction from its changeless quality, as if that in itself were a joke at the expense of the idea that every gag has to be new to get a laugh.

"The standard fokes come back again and again. I knew a writer who heard that Liberace was retiring. He rang me up in despair and asked what he should do with his tea-chest full of Liberace jokes. A while later he rang again and said it was all okay he could use them all about Larry Grayson."

Concerts

Symphony living in the past

RLPO/Janowski

Philharmonic Hall, Liverpool

Gone are the days when a conductor spent twenty years with one orchestra, gradually bringing it to supreme virtu-osity (much more than precision and agility) and teaching it to play the established repertory in a completely idiosyncratic way, not to be heard elsewhere, because he conducted nowhere else, nor did they play for another conductor. Karajan and the Berlin Philharmonic Berlin approach more closely than approach more closely than others to this old ideal; elsewhere the "house style" is out of favour, and orchestras are lucky if their many guest conductors are half as illuminating in rehearsal and concert as the peripatetic titular chief.

LPO/Solti

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Brahms's St Anthony Variations were chosen on Tuesday as an apt enough prelude to his A German Requiem, and the precision of rhythm, texture and dynamics that Sir Georg Solti obtained gave them a new, or at any rate fresh, aspect. The performance of one or two of the faster variations probably reflected modern orchestral virtuosity more than it did Brahms's intentions.

Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra announced the Marek Philharmonic Korngold was busy writing appointment of Marek Janowski as their principal conductor and artistic adviser from September 1983, in succession to David Atherton who only assumed that

role two years ago. It is not long enough for Atherton to make his presence make his presence beneficially felt, nor will Janowski spend enough time to impose his musical style on the RLPO — conductors nowadays are encouraged to travel the world. The RLPO are lucky to get

-Janowski: he did good work at Dortmund, bringing an impressive Lulu to Leeds, and he has made some fine records, including the start of a highly promising Ring. In Liverpool on Tuesday he conducted the British première of Erich Korngold's Symphony in Fichara maior. illuminating in rehearsal and symphony in F sharp major, concert as the peripatetic a luscious piece of orchestral confectionary composed 32 on Tuesday the Royal years ago in America (where

gave an impression of wholeness, of steady evolution not found in all accounts of this score. All the same, I found the triangle as irritating as ever in the finale.

The orchestra was joined by the London Philharmonic Choir for the Requiem, and the soloists were Isabel Buchanan and Thomas Allen. Oddly enough, this is not the work that one tends to associate with Sir Georg, although he has recorded it twice. The performance, however, was nearly as immaculate as that of the Variations, the sombre choral virtuosity more than it did Brahms's intentions.

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Notwithstanding its march-like character, the loud

Max Harrison

The symphony is a well-

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made piece, as can be expected (Kempe recorded it a decade ago), well varied in mood and texture, exigent in orchestral bravura, full of long, sumptuous melodies, which begin momentously, then gradually trail away into something less memorable.

Korngold was a child-prodigy composer in Vienna during the First World War, when his operas attracted lively attention, more for good tunes than for credible drama. I was glad to hear this valid performance under Janowski, but would much rather hear him and the RLPO in some music more closely geared to present-day life. Korngold's symphony describes 1950 in terms of 1910. Poor boy, he never

William Mann

In between comes "How lovely are thy dwellings", whose concluding fugato Sir

Television

Sense of occasion

Our heroine is already mar- It was the same for us all. ried, betrayed, divorced, the pert mama of two substantial flirts, Nancy is obsessed by children, gloomily keeping betrayal — until, that is, she house for Daddy in Virginia. ried, betrayed, divorced, the What you need, said Daddy, is to leave the land of Raintree County and Gone with the Wind and go to England, home of Lillie and Jennie, The Duchess of Duke Street and the nice but naughty king.

He did not put it quite like that, of course, but that is where Nancy and her sister

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I dropped in on Nancy the higher branches like a Astor (BBC 2) for the first bird of prey and all lowertime last night in order to class villains, carrying pencil find out if serials in nine and pad, are employed by the parts make any sense when Daily Mail. Upper-class vilyou have missed the first lains are usually Harry Cust, three: the quick answer of a convention honoured, like course is that they make all the others, here. "What neither more nor less sense are you reading?" asked Phyl but pretty much the same. of her sister. "Who's Who."

Fox), which finally happened here. Being both very rich and very good, and unlikely to spend his or her money on cigarettes and drink, Waldorf ideal and, by the end, she had said Yes. Cliveden here we come. I thought she was Revelstoke (Julian Glover) but, with the humourless Mrs Grenfell glaring in the back-Phyl fetched up, and those of pot, she had to go and feel us who had been lagging up betrayed again. Mr Glover to this point felt immediately played with majestic convic-at home — for it is a country tion but the most disthat even those who claim never to watch television at all know well. Clipped remarks emerge from under motionless hats. Couples whirl round the floor at soirées; eyes roll and tongues clack among those whose cards are not filled, who must watch from the edge.

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unemployed. Transcending even the economic revolution was the emergence of oil as a weapon of political blackmail. The industrial democratical processes of the control racies saw imposed on them not only an economic upheaval but fundamental changes in their social cohesion and political life.

cohesion and political life.
As the new decade began, world conditions of supply and demand shifted inexorably against the consumers. The dimensions of the change were not immediately apparent. The illusion persisted that one was watching commercial bargaining and not a revolugaining and not a revolu tionary upheaval.

tionary upheaval.

The proximate cause was the overthrow in September 1969 of the pro-Western King Idris of Libya by the radical Colonel Muammar Gaddafi. (It must be stressed that the price explosion was not a personal decision; one way or sonal decision; one way or another market conditions would have produced a price explosion, though perhaps over a longer period of time). Until then the dominant role among the oil-producing countries was played by essentially conservative governments whose interest in increasing their oil revenues was balanced by their depen-dence on the industrial democracies for protection against external (and per-haps even internal) threats. Gaddafi was free of such inhibitions. An avowed radi cal, he set out to extirpate Western influence. He did not care if in the process he weakened the global econ-

omy.

The working level of the United States Government, especially in the State Department, operated on the romantic view that Third World radicalism was really fractivated. Western really frustrated Western liberalism. Third World leaders, they believed, had become extremist because the West had backed conservative regimes, because we did not understand their reformist aspirations, because their societies were backward and eager for change — for every reason, in fact, other than the most likely: ideological commitment to the implacable anti-Western doctrines they were espousing.

I did not, in Nixon's first term, take an initiating role in Middle Eastern policy. There were desultory disin Middle Eastern policy. There were three discern-There were desultory dis-cussions in the Washington about to unfold: first, a Special Actions Group creeping increase in prices; (WSAG) on what attitude to take toward the new Libyan gradual, de facto takeover regime. In a meeting of of ownership and oper-November 24, 1969, I raised ational control from the oil the question whether to companies; and finally the have the 40 Committee [The inter-agency committee producer governments to supervising court intellibrate has all of oil to gence activities] canvass political the possibility of covert especially the Arab-Israeli action. A study was pre-conflict.
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our only choice was to try to get along with Gaddafi. leum, and imposed pro-Whereas America was duction cutbacks on it more deciding on passivity, West- severe than those on its ern Europe chose actively competitors. It was the first Libya's radical ruler. As is

Sunday serialization from the Kissinger memours continues this weekend with When God Called Chairman Mao.

Henry Kissinger on how the West failed to meet the oil challenge



Happiness is a country flowing with oil: Prince Fahd and Shaikh Yamani of Saudi Arabia in close conversation at an Opec meeting in Algiers in 1975

Oil: the blackmail weapon that changed the world

that seemed prudent and restrained when they were made have come to appear reckless to posterity. In the cause of short-term economic prudence the West accepted Gaddafi's revolution — and this, as it turned out, was bound to affect also the West's political relations with the conservative oil producers.

Italiar era, rejecting any measures of support to support to compensate Occidental for reduce its production contrary to the historical practice of almost all its on participation. Quickly, the negotiations on participation turned into a mirror image of the talks on price. An initial concents a barrel, rising to 40 the West's political relations with the conservative oil producers. tive oil producers. Libya taught these rulers

a fateful lesson: the industrial democracies would not protect friendly governments so long as their radical, avowedly hostile successors did not challenge the democracies' access to oil. Hence, there was no point in seeking to buy Western goodwill by restraint on oil prices or anything else. For a year or two, the occasion to apply this insight did not arise. But as market conditions changed, it subtly affected the attitudes of even the

moderate governments.
Thus did the political balance also shift, just as market conditions were transforming the economic equilibrium. Radical Libya then triggered a process by which the host governments gradually discovered, and began to exercise, their dominant power over the world oil market.

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panies operating on its soil. company Occidental Petro-leum, and imposed procurry favour with time a producing country

often the case, decisions amounted to an embargo. The majors in turn sharing oil. demonstrated their short- Ironically, demonstrated their short-sightedness by letting an leapfrogging tactics they hold a world record in the inconvenient competitor also demanded that Opec scale and speed of its twist slowly, slowly in the negotiate as a unit. In time violation.

other companies soon fol-

split, shattering one of the buffers between the producing and consuming countries. This set up a



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"leapfrogging" system outcome was that between the Mediterranean panies must yield. Suppliers and those of the Our hands-off Persian Gulf. In December 1970, Opec, emulating the companies yielded. They Libyan precedent, convened in Caracas and formally requested new price verse.

In effect, the oil pro-ducers were beginning to take full control of their increase of around 40 cents oil. Too late the companies a barrel for the Persian bestirred themselves. In Gulf; and the Tripoli agree-January 1971 they agreed to ment of April 2, which not what they had failed to do unexpectedly led to an even four months earlier: to larger price rise for Libya.
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resist selective blackmail by agreed to maintain this had implemented what bargain collectively and to amounted to an embargo. resist selective blackmail by

wind, to use a phrase of a Opec accepted the proposal

followed their time-honoured pattern of asking for assistance only at the last moment, and then only At this stage, the economic impact of these settlements was less significant than the political implications. Heretofore the oil companies, bargaining as a unit, had imposed a unified price. Now the united front of the companies had been of the companies had been to make the companies would not be

producing nations.
Irwin proudly reported to
the President on January 25

that in the three countries he had visited (Iran, Saudi Arabia, and Kuwait), he had stressed that we would follow our tradition of not becoming involved in the details of commercial negotiations — neatly removing the one fear that might have moderated producer demands: the threat of United States governmental intervention. If confrontation was to be avoided and if our government would not involve itself in the details the proordained

requested new price negotiations between the majors and all the petroleum-exporting nations.

The upshot was the Tehran agreement of February 14, 1971, which amounted to an

level for five years - a

Opec put forth a demand.

demands. The market seemed to provide no ceil-ing to producer exactions. And the companies were much more interested in raising their compensation than in diminishing participation.

For three years, a new infrastructure had been elaborated by the oil-producing nations built on the weakness and irresolution that a united front of the weakness and irresolution companies would not be of the consumers. Free-treated as a violation of market theology had kept anti-trust laws. At the the consumer governments, urgent request of the companies, under Secretary of States, out of negotiations State John M. Irwin II was as the companies were dispatched to the Middle rendered defenceless. Political demands had become urge moderation on the oil-producing nations.

When Western Hemis

When Western Hemis phere oil could no longer replace imports from the Arab world, the threat of a production cut-off by Opec suddenly turned into a crucial weapon. The Octo-

and the Arab members of Opec, agreed to cut their oil the industrial democracies

ies. Their reluctance to cooperate with one another ability, virtually guarantee nations

ing a permanent crisis.

The beginning of wisdom for an oil strategy should have been solidarity among all major consumer nations. That was prevented by six months of transatlantic tensions now magnified by the panic triggered by the opportunity to dissociate from our Middle East diplomacy. By December 1973, asking for preferential treatment from the Arabs for having disavowed our Middle East policy. We could never confirm all these allegations but they were too numerous not to have a foundation. It was what is most striking about a not one of the finer collection of papers assessing

we were being told that some of our allies were

moments of allied relations. per cent October increase

It is now obvious that this decision was one of the pivotal events in the history of this century. Even now, the domestic political impli-cations are still working themselves out. What happens when young men and women leave school and college to find their skills rejected and join the millions thrown out of work since the oil crisis? The way is open for dema-goguery, political polariza-tion, and violence.

As for the developing nations, if it was ever true that economic aid was necessary to prevent the division of our planet into the few who were rich and the many who were poor, if the maintenance of peace required us to try to close required us to try to close the gap, then the oil price rise worked marvellously to defeat these objectives. One's compassion is per-haps tempered with impatience at the quiescence with which they accepted the exactions of the oil producers and railed instead against their fellow victims in the West. This reflects either helplessness and decrepit idealogy.

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Never before in history has a group of such relatively weak nations been able to impose with so little protest such a dramatic change in the way of life of change in the way of life of the overwhelming majority of the rest of mankind. The poetic justice, if such it is, is that this "achievement" threatens their own stab-ility, a perception that may be gradually dawning. Few political structures can sustain the accelerated rate of growth made possible by such an enormous transfer of wealth. Dislocations are

The upheaval in Iran in

bound to occur.

the late 1970s was at once a caricature and a warning. The overheated economic development made possible by the price increases provoked an elemental reaction that rejected the very materialistic values that gave rise to the rapid growth; the end result was, ironically, the systematic impoverishment of the country. Nor is internal convulsion the only threat ber war put a triumphal growth; the end result was, arch over this structure.
On October 16 Opec abandoned the creeping increase of oil prices in favour of a dramatic rise, and the Assance are convenient of the economic enfeeblement of Veidenfeld intervention. If confronMichael 29, price and if our government would not involve itself in the details, the preordained system outcome was that the com
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Thus the producers' dilemma approaches a joke played by history on those who would seek to force its price rises, production pace. If they spend their cutbacks, and embargo. No exactions too rapidly, they European government took risk domestic upheaval; if up our offer of private they hoard them, they court exchanges on energy coop. a weakening of the intereration. They missed no national economic system to a point where they too become victims.

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Ronald Butt

Listen to the candid friends

The Opec ministers in Tehran on December 22-23 boosted the oil price from \$5.12 a barrel to \$11.65 a barrel—an increase of 128 who support the Government on top of the 70 the Government's economic performance, just published by the Institute of Economic ment's general position are incomparably more convinc-ing than those who oppose it. For the opponents, Pro-fessor Richard Layard of the doubt that, at the micro-comic level, the Government of the control of t London School of Economics and an economic adviser to the SDP, is convinced that the cardinal error has been the Government's insistence on fighting inflation without an incomes policy, which has resulted in unemployment rising much more than it otherwise would have done. Yet he is forced to recognize that a conventional incomes that a conventional incomes policy is politically impracticable and also economically distorting (SDP leaders please note) and he therefore

advocates a wage inflation tax levied on employers who give wage increases above a norm. He would exclude central and local government but include nationalized industries—which raises the weird vision of the Chancellor's taxing Sir Peter Parker for (say) giving way to Aslef or Sir Derek Ezra for yielding to the miners.

miners.
Still, it is at least a suggestion. Professor Maurice Peston of Queen Mary College, London, a past adviser to Labour ministers, argues that the Government's cardinal error has been to ignore the role of money wages in determining the operation of the economy. operation of the economy.
But he is content to observe
(with Mrs Thatcker) that
productivity is at the heart of
our difficulties and leave us with the thought that the issues are really political and not economic at all, taking a side-swipe at the non-consensus politics of both Labour extremists and the present

government.
Which brings me to the end of the Government's economy proposed by Mr Peter
Shore in his alternative.
Budget before I discuss the
more constructive criticisms
of the Government's economic supporters. To create jobs, Mr Shore advocates jobs, Mr Shore advocates public capital spending; cutting the National Insurance surcharge and other taxes; lowered interest rates and a cheap pound. However, the inflationary consequences of such a package can hardly be ignored even by a Labour shadow Chancellor not yet constrained by economic

Mr Shore's answer to inflation seems to be stringent government control at home; protectionism and an attempt to work out a general understanding on wage re-straint and cost control with the unions.

He dare not breathe the words "incomes policy" (as he virtually admits) but we all know that this is what he means: back to George Brown and the National Plan, and back to Wilson/Callaghan and the Social Contract -but this time with a much heavier dependence on pro-tection and a socialist siege

All this could be made to work at a price. What we should be clear about is that the greater the expansionist blanker expansion, and never boost provided by a Labour mind the inflationary defuge government, the greater would be the necessity for a would be wise to accept that rigidly controlled society if the would be wise to accept that it has the capacity to do be avoided. Expansion (probably only temporary) would be accepted to the friends of its macro-economic policy, and the provided between the expansion and never between the expansion and never blanker expansion, and never blanker expansion and never blanker expansion are set of the first expansion and never blanker expansion and never blanker expansion are set of the first expansion are set of the first expansion and never blanker expansion are set of the first expansion and never blanker expansion are set of the first expansion and the first expansion are set of the first ably only temporary) would be bought at a price to liberty that no previous Labour government has been willingto pay. That, of course, is Mr Healey's, Mr Shore's and Mr Hattersley's problem (and for all I know, Professor Pes-ton's), though it is plainly no

problem for Mr Benn.

what is most striking about a So let us return to the collection of papers assessing critics among the Government's account enthusiastic contributor to entrusiastic contributor to the Institute of Econotic Affairs symposium is ho-fessor Richard Stapleton of the Manchester. Busines School. He believes that the Government in machine to Government, in macro-eco omic terms, is on the way an Erhard-type econom miracle. Yet he is also in the doubt that, at the micro-eco omic level the Covernment. has to "get the conditions right for entrepreneurship and growth".

Professor Stapleton believes the could do much more than

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lieves that the Government could do much more to help growth by further financial guarantees to assist the takeoff of new firms; by improving the tax position of new
businesses and by insisting
that firms contribute to an
insurance fund to pay for insurance fund to pay for necessary redundancies. Above all, be advocates encouraging share ownership as the real alternative to union power.

This comes near to the heart of the matter. The Government will only "beat" unreasonable union power by by-passing it and making sure that every worker has a stake in the prosperity of his work-organization that is more to him than his stake in mass union power. This mass union power. This means legislating for works councils on the German model; it means action by the government in giving work-ers a share in their compa-

The point is clearly grasped by a number of Conservative back-benchers who are wholly on the side of Mrs Thatcher's "dry" macro-Mrs Thatcher's "dry" macroeconomics, but who also
believe (more so, curiously,
than many "wets") that she
should do more to draw on
the spirit that moved the
National Freight workers—
and should do so before the
election if it is to have the chance of the second term.

Mr Peter Hordern, for instance, a senior Tory back.

bencher specializing in econ-omic and financial matters, is convinced that it would be possible for the Government to bring in a short Bill in this Parliament allowing workers to buy shares in their firms on the same basis that council tenants can buy houses—say at a 30 per cent discount which would depend on the shares being held for a term of years. He argues that it is morally

right as well as expedient to-move in this direction; that workers should have a stake in the organization to which they give their working lives; that it is wrong that share determined by the operations of financial institutions whose operations often have little reference to the busi-ness realities of a particular company. What is more, a market with more private investors gradually achieved by worker share-owning, could help prevent some of the more meaningless market fluctuations, Such arguments

dry" Tories are much more impressive and constructive criticism of government policy than the demands of wets" who want only to buy another term of office with its macro-economic policy, and remember that to be "dry" does not oblige it to be hard or rigid. It needs the workers on its side in an industrial democracy; if it does not get them there in this parliament, the SDP will do its best to win them, on precisely such issues, in the

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Poetry and profanity puzzle Melina Mercouri

Andrew Wilson, associate editor of The Observer, has offered Melina Mercouri, the Greek minister of culture, £100 to help finance readings of modern Greek poetry on tape. Mercouri's response, as relayed by the Greek paper Ta Nea, has bureaucratic inertia written all over it. "Without having established the proper procedure for this project", she says, "we

cannot accept."

It is scarcely encouraging to hear that the new Socialist government, which prides itself on eliminating censorship, is even now withholding permission for the release of a recording from Paris Tacopoulos's Keni Diathiki, an appletically setting and eccept an expletively satirical and eccentrically onomatopoeic work, imitating the language of the New Testament.

Testament.

Tacopoulos published the text in 1973, when Greece was ruled by colonels who would beat up writers for daring to say that Ancient Greek notables practised homosexuality. A recording of excerpts, vested with quasi-Byzantine music and wailing, had been waiting for government sanction for a month, and Tacopoulos has now been told that unless he can "explain" apparent unless he can "explain" apparent profanities permission will be

Wilson, who would just like to hear modern Greek literature with the proper rhythms, points out that even Odysseus Elytis's great poem Axion Esti, on the strength of which he won the 1979 Nobel prize might be objected to on similar grounds.

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heroes of comic strips. David Association.

new issue of Which? published today. The strip is called Legal Eagle, a term originally coined, I am told, by Groucho Marx, and by which Tench was known while legal

adviser to The Jimmy Young Show on radio, and That's Life on television. As a fomenter of legislation, Tench knows no equal, with six contributions on the statute book already, and another four currently

before Parliament. He was also a formidable legal adversary before he was equipped with wings and talons. When a misguided newsagent sued him for not paying his bills, Tench counter-claimed, won, and came away with 50p damages.

Tower power

Richard Seifert is the name associated with most of the associated with most of the modern office blocks PHS can call to mind when forced to — but when it comes to designing a memorial to the modern movement the tower-raiser in chief is put to shame by a team of unknown youngsters from Leytonstone.

Admittedly they were only building in Lego bricks, but it was no mean achievement for three recent students of Bristol University to beat teams from many of the best-known architectural practhe best-known architectural prac-tices in London. Among the vanquished, along with Seifert, were the Ronald Fielding Partner-ship, who provided the Royal Prince's Palace in Saudia Arabia, and Yorke Rosenberg Mardall, who have done their bit at Gatwick Airport and the Wellington and St Thomas's Hospital. Thomas's Hospital.

The winner in a competition organized by the Building Centre

— Trevor Colman, Daryl Murphy and Dinah Aldam — constructed a

modular man holding aloft a symbolic relic. Unsuccessful entries included a toilet adorned with graffitti, a toilet roll holder, and a

Interviewed on Radio 4's World at One yesterday about the English cricketers' tour of South Africa, Ken Turner, secretary of Northamp-tonshire, said: "The question of South Africa has been the nigger in the woodpile." Waugh scoop

Today's issue of The Times Literary Supplement reveals the early life of Charles Ryder, long before he visited Brideshead. Ryder by Gaslight, which the TLS prints today, is the forgotten first chapter of a projected novel which Evelyn Waugh intended to call Charles Ryder's Schooldays.

It was rediscovered by chance in the offices of Waugh's literary agents, A. D. Peters. Searching Waugh's 1970 file for evidence about a contract with Eyre



(Hamish has just heard he can't

one of the staff found instead a 12,500 word typescript. Waugh's diaries reveal that in 1945 he started writing a novel about school life just after the First World War. No-one knows why it was never finished, or how the introductory chapter, which reads as a self-contained short the program of the where it was story, came to be where it was found.

House unfull

I regret, since I enjoyed it, to report that the play in which Leo McKern made an overdue return to the West End — Frank D. Gilroy's The Housekeeper, directed by Tom Conti, at the Apollo — is to close within a month of opening.

McKern is at his irascible best, and well-supported by Connie Booth, but the piece had mixed reviews. Michael Coveney's unkind notice in the Financial Times concluded, "a real lulu". With considerable spirit the management promptly stuck the phrase up as a quote on a billboard at the

Still no oppo

In 1980, when Sally Oppenheim went to Paris as British Minister for Consumer Affairs, there was no opposite number in the French government to greet her. Now that the Socialist French Minister for Consumer Affairs, Catherine Lalumiere, is repaying the visit.
Oppenheim, the light of British
consumerism in the naughty
governmental world, has just
extinguished herself by resigning for family reasons. Mrs Thatcher shows no sign of replacing her.

Bad figures

The news that the SDP team came 15th of 16 in a computerized competition at running the ecomony will scarcely surprise. Unformulated policies are bound to cause some vacillation.

The Conservatives did even worse. They came lest in a contest at Kingston Polytechnic in which teams from the political parties met schoolboys and college students. The Tories' downfall, as you might might guess, was doctrinaire insistence on reducing inflation at all costs. Labour, led by Clive Soley, MP for Hammersmith North, came tenth, but discoura-gingly for all home economists the winners were sixth formers from the Lycee Français in Kensington.

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Although the hunger strike and self-inflicted deaths of republican prisoners in Northern Ireland last summer fired anti-British sentiment in the United States; and al-though the money raitled into Noraid's collecting boxes at twice the previous rate; the collapse of the hunger strike in the face of the British. These set-backs for the IRA Government's steady and have been matched by similar those hopes to revive.

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Irish community in America.

Since the days of the Fenians clearly justified resolve has reverses in both parts of the United States of America created space in which apolo- Ireland. The Royal Ulster has been a sopious source of gists for the discharge of Constabulary acting on a gists for the discharge of Britain's responsibilities in

cans one of whom was a director of Noraid. The case can only speculate as to the effect of these successes on the ability of the IRA to maintain its supplies of arms United States. But the potential can be measured against since 1970. All this has been the facts, or rather the done against the active disap- estimates put together from intelligence sources, that half the weapons coming illegally into Northern Ireland in 1980-81 are believed to have passed through the United States, and that the proportion coming into the hands of the struggle on, which is in turn Provisional IRA from that governed by their hopes of source was rather more than success. The fact that people half. That is much the most are informing more freely important source of supply, against the IRA is one that important source of supply. Next are thefts from arsenals, dealers or other persons in the British Isles; then homemade weapons; and only then weapons manufactured in the

Constabulary acting on a much improved flow of intelli-gence, including that from informers, has made a signifi-At the same time the cant number of arrests lead-American law enforcement ing to serious charges. Arms really of 1921 de Valera agencies have been having and explosives in unusually dore opportune to be some successes in their watch large quantities have also ade of the Atlantic on IRA gun-running activi- been uncovered on both sides on IKA gundling charges of the border. It would brought by the FBI of a tempting providence, and contrary to experience, to draw from these encouraging developments any firm conclusion about the IRA's operis now coming to court. One ational capacity in the near future. The attempted mirder the other day of the Lord Chief Justice of Northern Ireland is a chilling reminder and ammunition from the that a well-found terrorist organization can strike so long as it remains in the field.

> How long it remains in the field depends much on the degree of harassment to which it is subjected by the forces of law. It depends even more on the terrorists' will to must damage those hopes. The new Irish government, when it is formed, and Mr Prior with his new initiative, when he is ready, have a duty to be alert in what they do to anything that might cause

WHEN THE KILLING HAS TO STOP

eastern block

ton in rayour of negotiations between the two sides in El-Salvador is an indication of up to United States policy in They were recently given public backing by President Lopez Portillo of Mexico, who offered his country's services as a mediator. But they have: so far been refused by the ruling junta in El Salvador as being a capitulation to the guerrillas, and this refusal has been supported by the Reagan administration.

It is natural that the United States should be concerned about signs of communist. subversion and do what it can to counter them. All those who believed that an American retreat from Indochina would usher in a new era of independence and happiness for Cambodia and Laos, as well as Vietnam, might re-member the terrible sequel. But there is a difference between totalitarian communist/Marxist movements encouraged or even directed from outside and indigenous pluralist movements which have a left-wing colouring but are basically coalitions of revolt against the corrupt exercise of power. The thetoric from Washington is close to suggesting that all leftist movements are implanted in Latin America by the schemers of the Kremlin or Havana and that is a dangerous over-simplifi-

cation. very particular circumstances which vary from country to country, but which tend to have certain points in com-mon, among them a concentration of wealth in the hands of a few, repressive governments and pressures for reform. In the past, American

The vote in the House of influence was often a very In El Salvador, too, there are in the small countries of Central America, and it was almost always thrown on the the opposition that is building side of the status quo. It is, therefore, hardly surprising the region. Negotiations of that opposition movements this sort are widely seen as a have adopted anti-American possible way of ending the attitudes, or even that they bloodshed in El Salvador, should sometimes look for assistance to the United States' arch rival, the Soviet Union, as Cuba has. This may be irritating or even menacing, but to see them as having been put there by some outside influence is to get the sequence of events in the wrong order.

> In proposing a programme of aid President Reagan has moved some way towards rectifying American policy and that is to be welcomed. It is true the purely economic aid is very limited and may well be even more so once Congress had its say, and that its effects can only be felt in the long term. But President Reagan, by these acts, has recognized that the best way to counter subversive movements is to eliminate the grievances on which they feed. The need now is to carry the same approach into thoughtful diplomacy, away from indiscriminate confrontation and into mediation so that moderate forces may be encouraged and not forced to alliance with extremists. This requires acknowledging that the motive force behind the Sandmista government in Mexico takes the view, of Nicaragua or some of the course, that the revolutionary gueriillas in El Salvador, are movements in Central American as much nationalistic as Marxist. In Nicaragua there is

> mitment to pluralism and to the maintenance of a large private sector. They are also anxious to have good relations with Washington. as to deny President Portillo's There is scope for discussion.

Representatives in Washing powerful factor, particularly hard-line Marxists among the guerrillas. But one of the main objectives of nego-tiations should be to ensure that the influence of the hardliners in any settlement is limited, and that the moderates are strengthened.

The dilemmas in El Salvador will not go away with the election, even if President Duarte's Christian Democrats defeat the extreme right. The guerrillas will still be there and American opinion, barely recovered from the traumas of Vietnam, is strongly opposed to deeper involvement and especially the commitment of American combat troops. So the risk remains that the present regime could be overthrown and replaced one which had become violently anti-American and

forced into the Cuban camp. The cease-fire and negotiation advocated by Mexico's President Lopez Portillo is a cannier course for American policy to pursue. The Rus-sians and Cubans have their best opportunities when there is fighting going on because then they or their allies can send arms to the side they favour. When the fighting stops their influence is liable to diminish because they cannot supply the economic help which is then needed; the Russians have already made it clear they are not prepared to take on the burden of another Cuba in Central America.

Mexico takes the view, of ca are comparable to its own revolution earlier this century anon.

They are the product of strong Marxist element and it ery particular circumstances which vary from country to output, but which tand to compare the country to output, but which tand to continue the country to output, but which tand to continue the country to output, but which tand to continue the country to output, but which tand to continue the country to output, but which tand to continue the country to output, but which tand to continue the country to output, but which tand to continue the country to output, and the co Sandinistas still have a com- United States to thwart the establishment of hostile governments in Central America. The record of confrontation is hardly so successful

Mental health

From Professor John Gunn and Sir, We are psychiatrists working at the Institute of Psychiatry in London who have a special interest in medico-legal matters. A Mental Health (Amendment) Bill is currently before Parliament. It contains a proposal to set up a Mental Health Comon to monitor the treatment of those patients who are detained in hospital against their wishes because they are suffering rom a mental disorder which

interferes with their judgment.
Like the Royal College of
Psychatrists we accept that this
is an appropriate development in
mental health law at the present
time. However, the Pitt acceptance time. However, the Bill contains a clause (Clause 38(3)) which would preclude psychiatrists giving any medication to a detained patient or any diagnostic procedure involving physical interference unless either the detained patient consents to the treatment, or permission is obtained from a Mental Health Act medical commissioner.

This means that in some circumstances medicines such as anti-depressants, might sedatives, and the like could not be given by

What will the effects of all this the difficult, disturbed, and be? The doctor will lose control dangerous patient.

of the treatment of his sickest patients. This could mean that a patient will get no treatment should the patient's consultant psychiatrist and the medical commissioner disagree, and this in spite of the fact that two doctors and a lay person (relative, social worker, or judge) may have already agreed that the patient should be detained in hospital for treatment.

Who will be responsible in law for such circumstances? Where will patients be able to obtain recourse for inadequate treat-ment? The consultant will be faced with either discharging a sick and possibly dangerous patient or detaining him without treatment, thus denying a dis-abled individual a chance of improved health:

Next there will be a massive increase in unnecessary bureau- From Mrs Margaret Plowman cratic procedures and a considerdiversion of medical able resources from the provision of patient care to an expensive quango.

Worst of all nurses and psychiatrists are opposed to detention without treatment, believing that such an eventuality and the like could not be given by the patient's doctor alone. He would not even, on his own authority, be able to carry out necessary blood tests to check the safety of the drugs being prescribed if the patient accepted the drug but refused the blood test.

When the like could not be given by would turn psychiatric hospitals into prisons. If Clause 38(3) is passed staff will increasingly refuse to admit patients under compulsory detention, thus exacerbating the problem which successive governments have tried to tackle, that of persuading NHS services to accept and treat NHS services to accept and treat

None of these questions was raised in the earlier White Paper and consultation procedures. We do not believe that HM Government or Parliament wish to achieve these effects, and we therefore urge the House of Commons to reject Clause 38(3) in its present form. Yours sincerely,

JOHN GUNN, PAUL BOWDEN, HN HAMILTON, DAVID MAWSON, JAMES MACKETTH, PAMELA TAYLOR, Institute of Psychiatry, De Crespigny Park, Camberwell, SES. February 26.

Patients from abroad

Sir, In a leader today (February 24) you point out the complicated and distressing problems that would arise from Mr Fowier's plan to raise £6m from six million visitors to this country, to help defray the cost of their emerg-

ency medical treatment.

If he wishes to raise this sum, would he not be well advised to cut the Gordian knot and charge all adult visitors from the particular countries in question a tax of, say, £2 on arrival here? Yours faithfully, MARGARET PLOWMAN, 52 Felstead Road, Orpington,

February 24:

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

disorders

From Dr J.E. Thomas

Sir, Once again a report is produced on the prison system which condemns the behaviour of uniformed prison officers. Your report (February 25) on the Wormwood Scrubs "rior" catalogues the same depressing list of staff misdemeanours. And, once again, concentration on the real issue—anarchy among staff—has generally been deflected by discussion around the usual irrelevant bolt holes, the records of the prisoners, and overcrowd-

Your Correspondent in today's issue (February 26) reminds us of the chronic failure of uniformed staff to obey orders, or some times even to obey the law. And the list could have filled one of your pages. The breakdown of discipline is so widespread and of such long standing that we forget how serious a breach is the refusal, as at Pucklechurch, to allow a member of the Board of Visitors into the prison; a person who is the representative of both the Home Secretary and the community and is entitled under the law to visit at any time.

This kind of behaviour, which, any governor will tell you, is widespread, is illegal and leaves out of account such acts as the vindictive stopping of visits on Boxing Day, which was described

as "negotiated".

Perhaps the most important point in the Scrubs report concerns the behaviour of the staff after the riot. As elsewhere this demonstrates that the offi-cers do indeed decide on how the prisons will be run. The prison governors, in their evidence to the May inquiry, asked for a strengthening of the discipline code. This was refused. But until this issue of staff caprice is faced we can only look forward to more law breaking and vindictive behaviour by staff and a consequent failure of our historic commitment to treating reasonibly, not to say legally, those

who are locked away.

Mr O'Friel said that the governors are "in the middle". It is time that they were put back on top, and high time that the Home Office restored the authority which we in the community bave authorised them to exercise Yours faithfully,

. E. THOMAS, The University of Nottingham, Department of Adult Education, 14-22 Shakespeare Street, Nottingham. February 26

Satellite TV

From the Managing Director of **BBC** Television

Sir, I am sad that Paul Fox has written a letter (March 2) so-sharply critical of the BBC's application to run a subscription of March 2 in which you referred channel. He knows as well as I do to the sale of Leyland's agriculsuch a service and it will consist-to a large extent of new feature

The BBC's policy will be to insist that these films are made available to network television, either BBC or ITV, after approximately the same delay as at present, and to ensure that any profit made from the enterprise will go back into television or films and not be diversified into other activities. In short, the licence-fee payer will gain from the BBC's plan. Yours faithfully, ALASDAIR MILNE,

BBC, Television Centre, W12.

The Romanovs

From Mr George Engle

From Mr George Engle

Sir, The Romanovs evidently demand weighty tomes. Piers Brendon, reviewing Professor Lincoln's recent effort (February 25) describes it as "an American blockbuster which weighs two and a half pounds and packs a punch on every page". My copy of William Gerhardi's pistol-packing book on them, published in 1940 with the subtitle, "Evocation of the past as a mirror for the of the past as a mirror for the present", weighs all of 3lb 702 and though not mentioned in Michael Holroyd's piece on Gerhardi which you published in 1981, is (as the saying goes), as good as a novel, and certainly deserves to be better known. Yours faithfully, GEORGE ENGLE, 32 Wood Lane, Highgate, No. February 26

Lead in petrol

From the Director, Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, Ltd

Sir, I am responding to The Times's leader (February 9, "Poison in the air") where you comment on lead in petrol. In view of my position I have had to take an interest in this subject because of requests for informa-tion on the likely effect of leadfree petrol on car engines. I must say at the outset that

car engines can, of course, be made to run on lead-free petrol. If they are to maintain the same performance as at present, the engines will have to be higger and they will certainly be less economical

Present engines cannot run on lead-free petrol and will fail if it is tried. They also cannot run on petrol at 0.15 grammes per litre (gfl) unless the octane rating is maintained. It is for this reason that there will be additional costs in refining. But, and I emphasize this, both vehicle manufacturers and the petroleum industry can respond to these demands if they are laid upon them. From now on I speak as a father and a recent grandfather from an entirely

personal point of view. Sources of lead in blood are

suggest a different interpretation of the fact that the South Africans playing against the English team will all receive full

From Mr David Little

Sir, Amidst the furore about the

South African cricket tour two

things strike me. How strange that on the day when there is such a fuss in the House of

Commons, the captain of the "official" rugby union tour should receive the OBE from the

Secondly, Mr Boycott's smile

must be wryer than usual at: all the talk of banning these players.

When he turned down the money

offered by Mr Packer was there not a similar threat? Will anyone

give me odds against, say, Graham Gooch playing for, or indeed captaining, England within the next five years? It must be a good bet.

Sir, I was sitting at home last

night watching the news and the latest information concerning the outrageous behaviour of En-

gland's cricketers daring to appear in South Africa.

off my jacket (made in South Africa) and opened another bottle

of South African wine. I even put

down the British travel brochure

inviting me to holiday in South

How can we possibly think of playing with people we do business with? Surely it is not

Sir, Let this country give hope

and support to the untouchables

by refusing to play cricket with India until the vile and permicious

caste system has been abolished.

GEOFFREY H. JACOBS,

was so indignant that I took

Yours faithfully,

DAVID LITTLE,

Formby,

Africa.

Yours etc.

The Park.

TONY HODGES,

Clumber Road West,

From Mr G. H. Jacobs

Yours faithfully,

9 St Clare Street,

Minories, EC3.

The Gazebo.

Nottingham.

21 Woodlands Road.

From Mr Tony Hodges

March 2.

Oueen.

From Mr D. G. Auger

Sir, Once again controversy has erupted over a number of English cricketers who have gone to South Africa to work at their Springbok colours? chosen profession. Their motives Yours. are almost certainly mercenary and have nothing to do with the endorsement of the noxious ALISON DAVIS. 41, Ayrsome Road, Stoke Newington, N16.

political philosophy apartheid.

I am appalled, not by the desire of any person making a living from a profession depending as it does on form and physical health to increase their gross earnings, but by the wave of hypocrisy that inevitably follows. After all cricketers from India, Pakistan and the West Indies come to this country for the same reason and actually play in county teams alongside South Africans.

There appears to be no dissen-sion regarding this anomaly or the fact that Britain and South Africa continue to enjoy very strong and mutually profitable trade links. This dichotomy of ralues is compounded by continu-ing sporting and trade links with the Soviet Union and her satel-lites, all countries in which the cause of human rights leaves

much to be desired.

Afghanistan is forgotten and the war against man's inhumanity to man returns to the cricket field, so pale is the shadow of this once great nation that its falling is not sufficient for bad light to stop this ridiculous play. Yours sincerely,

D. G. AUGER, 6 Courtlands Avenue. Hampton, Middlesex. March 2.

From Miss Alison Davis

Sir, Your correspondent, John Woodcock (March 2), suggests the 12 English cricketers currently in South Africa are simply rewarding the efforts of the South African Cricket Union (SACU) to bring multi-racial cricket to South African playing fields. He chooses to ignore the political implications of their visit: is he so naive as to think that in South Africa sport and politics are played in different arenas?

The players may feel they are just playing cricket; the South Government no doubt feels it has won a political victory. It will exploit the affair to point out to its own supporters that there is a good deal of sympathy worldwide for South Africa — and by that the Government means (however much the players themselves or even the SACU may protest) sympathy for the policies of

Or perhaps Mr Woodcock can

the deal we struck was advan-tageous not only in financial terms, but also in that it gave

Bathgate some on-going business on engine supply and saved some

There was no question of hanging a public "for sale" notice on the tractor business, particularly as the disposal involved the closure of the existing Bathgate operation. Such

existing bangate operation. Such a premature announcement would undoubtedly have resulted in an immediate erosion of customer confidence with the

BL Bathgate sale

tural tractor

earlier closure of the business February 27. being a certain consequence.

From Mr.D. R. G. Andrews Sir, I refer to your leader column we were able to judge the offer which was finally accepted. I find it difficult to follow the take issue with the statement that this was at a "knockdown price". The fact is the business hadbeen losing significant amounts of money and had no hope of

argument in the last sentence in the article, which talks of the possibility of managerial mistakes being "fudged and concealed". Our procedures and viability at Bathgate, production accounts are constantly reviewed capacity being several times larger than any foreseeable level and approved by independent auditors. of future sales. It would have had to be closed altogether if no buyer had been found. As it was,

Additionally, in the case of the tractor disposal we gave full information to the Department of Industry, in accordance with the agreed arrangements between BL and the Government for monitoring the company's progress. As you know, the Comptroller and Auditor General, who has mounted an inquiry into the sale, has full access to the department's

Yours sincerely, D. R. G. ANDREWS, Executive Vice-Chairman, BL and Chairman, Leyland Group, BL Public Limited Company,

From Mr R. A. Hood

Sir, I would like to congratulate you on the recent leader (February 24) on the present situation in East Timor. We have long been concerned about the sufferings of the people of that region and would like to press for further debate and discussion in the national press.
One of the most worrying facets of the situation is the obstacles which Indonesia has

put in the way of the free flow ofinformation from and about East Timor. We would hope that the Indonesians would agree to a request made by our partner on whether one lives in a house

that has lead pipes and lead storage tanks, and also whether the water is soft or not. As a result water-borne lead contributes between 0 and 40 per cent of the total; air-borne lead contrib-utes directly between 3 and 10 per cent, the rest comes from

The CLEAR campaign suggests that air-borne lead is the major contributor to the lead in food through deposits on the countryside. To put this in perspective: the lead in the top 12 inches of the UK surface, through natural causes, is 1,250,000 tonnes and the lead emitted from petrol has decreased from 7,500 tonnes per year in 1971 to 4,000 today, and will be at 2,850 per year after 1985. Comparing the two figures and given the fact that lead deposits from air will not accumulate in a linear fashion on the surface of the land, I find the suggestion that air-borne lead is so significant difficult to accept.

Much is made of the decision by other countries, notably America and Japan, to eliminate lead from their petrol. Whilst CLEAR are honest enough to admit that the decisions in these countries were principally due to the climatic conditions in the Los food, water and air. The water Angeles and Tokyo areas, where contribution depends, it seems, all sorts of emissions become

35-38 Portman Square, W1. agency, Australian Catholic Relief, to admit observers from various aid agencies to examine

the feasibility of restoring basic agricultural conditions in East Timer. In general we wish to add our voice of support to the growing call for international observers to visit East Timor to give an

objective assessment of the situation. Yours sincerely, R. A. HOOD, Administratur The Catholic Fund for Overseas

Development, 21a Sobo Square, W1. February 26.

trapped, because of the temperature inversion, in a thin layer of the atmosphere near the surface, they suggest that lead was a factor of equal importance as other poisons. Given that at any levels of fuel consumption the amounts of carbon monoxide, hydrocarbons and oxides of nitrogen are in ratios of 1000:1, 50:1 and 42:1, respectively, compared with lead, I find this equally unacceptable. It was the effect of lead in petrol on the catalytic converters needed to control these other substances that gave rise to the ban on lead

in petrol. What is needed is better monitoring so that the small proportion of children at risk from lead in the environment Hot line from whatever source can be identified early and more effort should be devoted to eliminating the major sources of lead in our environment. In sum, I am happy to think that my grandchild and any other grandchildren I may have should grow up in the United Kingdom where the lead in petrol will from 1985 be at a 0.15 g/l level.

Yours sincerely, ANTHONY FRASER, The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders Ltd, Forbes House, Halkin Street, SW1.

Wormwood Scrubs 'Dichotomy of values' on cricket tour. Mr Jeremy Thorpe and Amnesty

From Dr Gordon McGregor Sir, Through their well-inten-tioned letter (February 27), which begins by deploring the world-wide abuse of human rights, Mr David Astor and his friends may only succeed in adding to it. Mr Jeremy Thorpe has been appoin-ted Director of the British Section of Amnesty by an open and rigorous selection procedure. Does he not now have the right to at least a brief opportunity to demonstrate his competence in the post before his unsuitability

is further debated?

He was, conceivably, chosen partly because of the flair and judgment he showed in a previous lengthy period of political leadership. If your correspondents were to arraign retrospectively all the public figures of tively all the public figures of even our recent past whose judgments on private relation-

redgments on private relativeships had sometimes been reprehensible they would have a long list to work through.

They ask for "impeccable judgment" but have between them enough experience of human affairs to know that it is not to be had. Those who appoint can do no more than seek out the best available judgment for a particular post and, knowing that it will be fallible, advise and support it unless and until it

proves damagingly inadequate.

I write as a rank and file member of Amnesty who neither knows Mr Thorpe nor shares his political affiliation, and remain, Sir, as your correspondents

requested, Unequivocally yours, . GORDON McGREGOR, Principal's House, The College, Lord Mayor's Walk,

February 28. . . From Mr John Hall and others Sir, The move to oust Mr Jeremy Thorpe from his new job as director of Amnesty International's British section may already have succeeded. The already have succeeded. The undersigned wish to record their sadness that an organisation devoted to the succour and rescue of persecuted individuals should even consider harassing and perhaps hounding out their new director before he has even

sat at his desk and looked round him at the problems facing Amnesty International. Yours fr. IOHN I. IOHN BALL & WELLS. PAUL HOBHOUSE, Ansford Cottage, Ansford, Castle Cary,

However, we did receive a From Mrs Michael Noakes number of approaches from Sir, Quite apart from the f interested parties against which Jeremy Thorpe was fou Sir, Quite apart from the fact that Jeremy Thorpe was found not guilty, I always understood that offences.

Yours faithfully, VIVIEN NOAKES. 146 Hamilton Terrace, St John's Wood, NW8. February 27.

Canada's Constitution

From Sir Charles Fletcher-Cooke, QC, MP for Darwen (Conserva-

Sir, In his letter (March 1) Sir Anthony Kershaw misunder-stands Sir Derek Walker-Smith's letter of February 25 and conse-quently misinterprets it. Nowhere does Sir Derek suggest that any finding by the Canadian courts can make an Act of the British Parliament "fillegal". On the contrary, in his letter Sir Derek described such an Act as "an instrument valid in English law as the product of the sovereignty. as the product of the sovereignty of Parliament", that being the principle applicable to this country as being a unitary state with no written Constitution.

The danger to which Sir Derek

The danger to which Sir Derek rightly drew attention was the possibility, if the Canada Bill is enacted before judgment is pronounced, of a conflict between an Act valid in English law and a decision of the Canadian courts related to their federal Constitution.

Sir Anthony refers to the obligation of the British Parliaobligation of the british rarnament "to see that the Canadian request is a 'proper' request". But how can we know that the request is "proper" until the Supreme Court has decided whether the request was proper accordance with the convenin accordance with the conventions of the Canadian Constitution — the very point to be canvassed in the proceedings in the Canadian courts?

To stigmatise such litigation as either "frivolous" or "vexatious" may well be regarded as offensive by judges and lawyers in Canada and may provoke a very danger-ous reaction in the Province of Quebec. Surely the wise and statesmanlike course is to await, before proceeding further with the Bill, the judgment of the Supreme Court, which is confidently expected before the end of the year.

I am, Sir, your obedient servant, CHARLES FLETCHER-COOKE, House of Commons. March 2.

From Mr Barry C. Martin Sir, Referring to Saturday's correspondence (February 27) when they are bad they are very

bad! January 8, we informed Telecom of our proposed move, on March 1, to premises only next door. It is now the morning of March 1 and we have no service at either our old or new premises.

Yours. B. MARTIN. Martin and Warnock, 3 Bromley Road, SE6. KENSINGTON PALACE March 3: The Princess Margaret. Countess of Snowdon, Master of the Bench, this evening dined in

the Bench, this evening dined in Hell at Lincoln's Inn.

The Hon Mrs Whitehead and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick were in attendance.

The Queen will onen the St Luke's Leisure Centre for Pensioners at 90 Central Street, London, EC1, on March:18.



COURT AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

Having been received upon arrival by the Right Hon the Lord Mayor (Sir Christopher Leaver), Her Majesty unveiled a commemorative plaque, declared the Barbican Centre open and escorted by the Administrator (Mr Henry Wrong), toured the Centre.

Hilary Magnus) and Masters of the Bench with her presence at Dinner at Lincoln's Inn.

The Lady Grimthorpe and Captain Alastair Aird were in attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE

March 3: The Princess Marcaret March 3: His Excellency Jonkhe. er Jan Louis Reinier Huydecoper was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from the King-Centre.

Afterwards The Queen attended a Concert given by the London Symphony Orchestra (Chairman, Sir Kenneth Cork) in the Barbican Hall, and a performance by the Royal Shakespeare Company (Chairman, Mr Anthony Camden) in the Barbican Theatre, and later viewed a Fireworks Display. om of the Netherlands to the Theatre, and later viewed a Fireworks Display.

The Hon Mary Morrison, Sir William Heseltine and Squadron Leader Adam Wise were in

dom of the Netherlands to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following Members of the Embassy, who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty.

Monsieur A. F. Tieleman (Minister Plenipotentiary), Monsieur J. W. Sensieur de Vries van Leader Adam Wise were in attendance.

The Prince of Wales, as Chairman, arrived at Newport Station in the Royal Train this morning to visit Gwent and Mid Glamorgan in connection with The Prince of Wales' Committee.

F. Stork (Counsellor) and Jonkheer E. Röell (Counsellor).

Madame Huydecoper had the tonour of being received by The Sir Michael Palliser (Permaent Under-Secretary of State or Foreign and Commonwealth ffairs), who had the bonour of ing received by Her Majesty is present and he Gentlemen of Household in the Princess Anne, Mrs Mark phillips. Colonal in the Royal The Duke of Edinburgh will visit the Dawn to Dusk reunion and prizegiving at the Royal Aeronautical Society, 4 Hamilton Place on March 16.

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Queen.
Sir Michael Palliser (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs), who had the bonour of being received by Her Majesty was present and he Gentlemen of the Household in Waiting were in

The Queen this evening opened the Barbican Centre for Arts and Conferences.

Mr. C. J. Barber and Miss J. M. Richards

The engagement is announced between Christopher John, son of Mr and Mrs. A. C. Barber, of Macclesfield, Cheshire, and Julie Madeleine, youngest daughter of Madeleine, youngest daughter of Dr and Mrs J. F. Rickards, of Bwich, Abersoch, Gwynedd.

and Miss C. Whettem

The engagement is announced between John son of Mr and Mrs R. Calver, of 91 Lansdown Road, Gloucester, and Caroline, daughter of the Rev J. and Mrs The engagement is announced whettem, of Manningford Bruce Rectory, Pewsey, Wiltshire.

Captain A. K. McC.Miller, A and Miss C. J. Erskine
The engagement is announced between Alan Keith, youngest son of Mr and Mrs A. J. McC. Dr S. F. Gull

and Dr S. E. Pearson

The engagement is announced between Stephen, only son of Mr and Mrs. F. A. Gull, of the Ranch House, Grove Hill, St Mawes, Cornwall, and Sarah, eldest daughter of Dr and Mrs C. M. G. Pearson, of Ash Cottage, Westerham, Kent.

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or the Queen's Flight.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark
Phillips, Colonel in Chief, Royal
Corps of Signals, visited Northern Ireland today.
Her Royal Highness, attended by Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke, travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

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CLARENCE HOUSE
March 3: Queen Elizabeth The the Merchant Taylor's Hall, Queen Mother this evening Threadneedle Street, on March the Treasurer (Mr. 17.

Dr R. S. Laishley and Dr A. C. O'Callaghan

The engagement is amounced between Richard Stephen, eldest son of Mr and Mrs F. O. Laishley, of Kingston Seymour, Avon, and Abina Catherina, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. O'Callaghan, of Mallow,

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Lord Bancroft, Head of the Home Civil Service, who was introduced to the House of Lords yesterday, flanked by his sponsors, Lord Hunt of Tanworth (left) and Lord Plowden.

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The Queen opened the Barbican Centre for Arts and Conferences yesterday and, as Patron of the London Symphony Orchestra and the Royal Shakespeare Company, attended performances in the concert hall and theatre. She was received by the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress, the Sheriffs and their escorts and the administrator, Mr Henry Wrong, and Mrs Wrong. Among those present were:

The High Commissioner for Canada.

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The High Commissioner for Canade,
the French Ambassador, representatives of the arts. Hibraries, the Arts
Council, the Canadian and French
governments, the London Symphony
Orchestra, the Royal Shakespeare
Company, HM Government, the Civil
Service and commercial and professional institutions, and aldernen,
common councilmen and officers of the
Corporating of London and their

Luncheons

Prime Minister
The Prime Minister was host at a
luncheon given at 10 Downing
Street yesterday in honour of the
Mayor of Paris. The other guests

were:

M. Jean-Pierro Delalande, M. Bernard
Silland, Mr. Humphrey Alkins, MP, Mr
Edward du Cann, MP, Sir Henry
Piumb, MEP, Sir Anthony Royle, MP,
Mr George Gardiner, MP, Mr Ray
Whitney, MP, Mr Ian Gow, MP, and
Mr. John Goles,

Victory (Services) Association The Lord Mayor, accompanied by Alderman and Sheriff Lady Donaldson, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given at the Victory Services Club yesterday. Rear Admiral F. B. P. Brayne. Nein-Admiral F. B. F. Brayde-Nicholls, Chairman of the Victory (Services) Association, was the host and Air Marshal Sir Frederick Sowrey, vice-chair-man, and other members of the council were present. The guests included:

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Accountants
The President of the Association
of Certified Accountants, Mr R.
A. Spencer, held a luncheon
party at 29 Lincoln's Inn Fields

on Tuesday, March 2, for Mr P.
A. R. Brown, Deputy Secretary,
Department of Trade,

Reception

Clayesmore School
The council of Clayesmore
School and the headmaster Mr
Michael Hawkins, held a reception yesterday on the occasion of
the annual Clayesmore Lecture
delivered this year by Dr A. L.

Dinners HM Government

Mr John Biffen, Secretary of State for Trade, was host at a dinner held at Lancaster House last night in honour of Mme Catherine Calumiere, French Minister for Consumer Affairs.

Timber Trade Federation
Mr A. W. Ure, President of the
National Federation of Building
Trades Employers, was the
principal guest at the annual
dinner of the Timber Trade
Federation held at Grosvenor rederation heid at Grosvenor House last night. Mr C. S. Cotterell, president of the federation, was in the chair. Others present included: The Ambassadors of Finland. Czechoslovakia. the loory Coast. Portugal, the Soviet Union and Poland; the High Commissioner for Malaysia and the acting high commissioners for Ghana and Singapore.

Cornhill Club The Cornbill Club held their annual dinner last night at the Connaught Rooms. Sir Derek Ezra, Chairman of the National Coal Board, was the guest of

horour. Mr Peter Doye was in the chair Anglo-Spanish Society The annual dinner of the Anglo-The annual dinner of the AngloSpanish Society was held at the
Hispaniola Restaurant last night.
Sir John Russell, chairman,
presided and Sir Raymood
Pennock was the guest of
hounor Others present included:
The Spanish Ambassador Lord Sir
Oswald, Sir John and Lady Pitcher. Sir
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Old Ellesmerian Club
The Old Ellesmerian Club,
London branch, held their annual
dinner at the House of Commons
last night by courtesy of Mr Paul
Dean, MP. Colonel J. H.
Nunnerley was in the chair and
Mr F. E. Maidment, Headmaster
of Ellesmere College, was.
amongst the guests:



Mr Basil Boothroyd, 72; Sir Arthur Bryan, 59; Professor H. J. Eysenck, 66; Mr Bernard Haitink, 53; Sir Geoffrey Jack-son, 67; Mr Francis King, 59; Sir Ralph Millais, 77; Mr Patrick Moore, 59; Colonel Sir John Carew Pole, 80; Mr Alan Sillitoe, 54; the Earl of Warwick, 71; Dame Albertine Winner.

Church news

The Rev C P de Candole, Rector of Witchampton and Hinton Parva and Long Crichel, with Moor Crichel, diocese of Salisbury, to reliev on May The Rev V C Hatherley, Rector of East with West Harpires and Hinton Blewitt, diocese of Bath and Wells, to rectain.

School Lymington, have appointed Mr Andrew Robinson to succeed Mr John Bradfield, who retires as headmaster in July. 1983. Mr Robinson has been Headmaster of Brocksford Hall, Derby, since 1963.

The following have been elected officers of the Royal Warrant Holders Association for the President, Mr Peter Smith: vice president, Mr Victor Watson; honorary treasurer, Mr Edward Rayne. Bath'

Commissioner to retire

Sir Ronald Harris, aged 68 First Church Estates Commissioner since 1959 and chairman of the Church of England's Central Board of Finance since 1978, is to retire from both appointments on November 30, it was announced

May.

The struggle for the British satelite opened last week with a call for a public debate in a letter to The Times by Lord Aylestone, former chairman of the IBA. That was answered by Mr George Howard, the chairman of the BBC, who denied that the corporation was seeking a monopoly in the field and declared that "golden opportunities" for industry and broadcasting would be missed if action was deferred to allow "interminable discussion".

In its statement yesterday

debate

on satellite

By Kenneth Gosling

The Independent Broadcasting

The Independent Broadcasting Authority, concerned over reports that Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, will today announce the allocation of two television satellite, channels to the BBC, has issued a statement calling for a full parliamentary debate on the subject before any decisions are made.

It became clear yesterday that if Mr Whitelaw does allot both channels to the BBC, which would use them for a subscription service and for "best of the world" programmes, a political dispute will follow. The IBA is complaining that it has not had a

complaining that it has not had a sight of the proposals the Home Secretary has been considering since the Home Office issued its

allocation

"interminable discussion".

In its statement yesterday calling for prior discussion in Parliament, the IBA said: "It must be right for the Government's final decisions on both programmes and technical standards to be made after proposals put to the Home Office have been made public and declared".

The IBA has put forward three proposals: a pan-European service, for which trials by closed circuit are taking place this year; a subscription service;

this year, a subscription service, or a "best of British" service.



Miss Joan Greenwood, the actress, who is 61.

Resignations and retirements

The Rev V C Hatheriey, Recipr of East with Weet, Harpiree and Hinton Blewitt, diocess of Bath and Wells, to resign. Rev I C Maswell, Recipr of Great Sumeriord with Little Sumeriord and Seagey, diocess of Bristol, to retire on technical sumerior of Alderbury and Recipr of West Grinstol, to retire on April 20.

The Rev C V Pouley, Vicar of Alderbury and Recipr of West Grinstole, diverse of Salisbury, to retire on April 20.

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Canon of Hereford, diocessan development of ticar and non-residentiary Canon of Hereford, to retire on March.

The Head of the Communication of Cochale and Vicar of St. Peter, Bolton, to retire as archdeacon, May 31, and as Vicar of Bolton on Nov 50.

University news Wales

STEAMING AHEAD The Duke of Westminster is to open the Windermere Steamboat Museum extension on April 6. It consists of a second dock with outside bays, a lecture theatre and a new shop.

OBITUARY M GABRIEL AROUT

French dramatist and screenwrier

by such authors as htrick Hamilton (*Rope*, 1953), loger

MacDougall (Gog and Agog, 1959) and Shelagh Delaty (A Taste of Honey, 1960), were

Crime and Punishment and The Idiot; these were siged

Lieutenant Helt (1950), who

hero stages his own assass

ation. In the following ye came as adaptation, with h

came as adaptation, with the brother Georges Arest and Tania. Balachova, of Vish nevsky's An Optimistic Trages dy. His wife Renée Delamard collaborated with him on other adaptations. Among his?

screen-plays were Marguerite de la Nuit which Claude

and La Mort en ce Jardin which Bunuel shot in the

same year. He remained

of the administrative grade

whose knowledge of horticul-

He was a member of the

He was a mention of the Royal Horticultural Society. As a national judge for the "Britain in Bloom" campaign organized by the British Tourist Authority since 1969 he visited hundreds of cities.

towns and villages to assess

their embellishment by flow-ers, trees, shrubs and lawns and his helpful suggestions

were much appreciated.
He was made a member of the Royal Victorian Order in

1970 and received the Veitch

Memorial medal of the Royal

Horticultural Society in 1979.

He is survived by his widow and two daughters.

tant when night bomber

ture might be negligible.

Gabriel Arout, the French cante, and Jacques Caron. playwright has died in Paris Among his many adaptions. at the age of 73.

Like his countryman Arthur Adamov, Gabriel Arout was born in Armenia on January 28, 1909 into a well-to-do bourgeois family, and, like Adamov, he emigrated to Paris, at the age of 21, to become a writer in the French language. French language.

The Idiot; these were siged by André Barsacq.

The concepts of hunan frailty, death, murder, and tragedy also pervade his win plays, which have ten described as intellectual thrillers. One of the mist successful, also performed in foreign parts, was Le Ball to Lieutenant Heli (1950), which He wrote his first novel, at the age of 14, in Russian, but the next two were composed in France, in French, shortly after he graduated from the

Unable to find a publisher, Arout worked at odd jobs Arout worked at odd jobs from journalism to manual labour, the latter including a spell as railway porter. His first play, inspired by the idea of the miraculous, was Orphée. It won a prize, but proved too unwieldy, and he re-wrote it. It won a second prize in its new form and was staged by Louis Ducreux at Autant-Lara made in 1956 the Vieux Colombier in 1943. and La Mort en ce Jardin A succession of plays over the years was staged by or with such eminent persons as active as a writer until last Pierre Fresnay, Marcel Her-rand, Pierre Dux, Jean Dar-French Academy award.

> MR JOHN HARE had filled this post, which had always hitherto been held by a career civil servant

Mr John Robert Hare, MVO, well-known and greatly respected in horticultural circles died on February 26. He was 65.

He was, until his retirement in 1980, Bailiff of the Royal Parks in London, the administrative head of Hyde Park, Regents, Greenwich, Bushey and Richmond Parks as well as the gardens of Buckingham and St James's Palaces, Marlborough House, Number 10, Downing Street and the grounds of many properties in the London агеа.

He was for eight years Superintendant of the Cen-tral Royal Parks and his appointment in 1972 as bailiff was a significant break-through, as it was the first time a trained horticulturist

PROFESSOR DEREK JACKSON Air Vice-Marshal E. D. Crew writes:

support operations were introduced, and led to the interception and destruction As a scientist of distinction Derek Jackson was well known. Less well known was of enemy night fighters over enemy territory.
His work on Window was particularly important since its premature use against the enemy could have led to its his considerable wartime contribution to the air defences of this country, and to the bomber offensive. At 34 in 1940, well launched on use against our defences before we had learnt how to deal with it. He flew many his academic career, he left Oxford and became an air gunner in the RAFVR. At the hours in the course of this end of that year and in 1941, enemy night bombing was at its heaviest, and the burden work, and on one occasion he on the night fighter force

was intense—we were both fighting and developing a form of warfare still very much in its infancy. Jackson's potential in this field was fortunately recognized, and early in 1941 he joined 604 squadron, who at that time were heavily involved. Using the then rather rudimentary airborne interception equipment (AI) he personally was responsible for the interception and destruction of at least four enemy aircraft at night, for which he was awarded the DFC.

Development of AI and other radars was quickly followed by development of radar jamming techniques, and the threat of airborne jamming of ground to air communications vital to the air defences. He was moved to HQ Fighter Command to develop and perfect methods of overcoming this very serious threat.

He worked successfully on methods of homing on to jamming signals, and also on another potentially serious form of interference, from strips of tin foil spread from aircraft (known as Window), which could clutter the radar tube and make interception moossible. These homing techniques were also impor-

Colonel-General Trufanov, chief Soviet Military Adviser to the Chinese Army before Peking's split with Moscow, has died at the age of 81.

and his pilot were lucky to survive a mistaken attack on their Beaufighter by one of At this time he also played

our own fighters. a part in the introduction of then advanced centimetric, AI, subsequently so effectively used in the Mosquito night fighters of 100 Group, Bomber

Command. In 1943, with Christopher Hartley, a later Deputy Chief of the Air Staff as his pilot, he flew a number of sorties over this country in an enemy JU 88 night fighter captured intact (a fairly hazardous activity), which belped to improve the defensive tactics of our bomber force. For all these activities he was awarded a well-earned AFC. At the end of the war, as a wing commander, he was made

Throughout the war he applied his outstanding ability to all that he undertook with dedication and determination. Well aware of the risks he ran he always had the courage to face them — a quality he had already shown by riding more than once in the Grand National before the war. Intensely intolerant of the second rate - and sometimes simply amusingly and outrageously intolerant he was a generous, witty and enjoyable companion, who will be remembered with admiration and affection.

Robert Henry Mollen, CB, OBE, MC, Commandant and Director of Studies, Royal Army Medical College, 1950-1953 died on February 28.

auction records

record price for the artist.

It went to an overseas bidder, and was the top item in the sale. The same bidder paid £19,800 for a painting entitled "A Forest clearing", signed and dated 1891, by Ivan Ivanovich Shishkin (1831-1898), also a record price for the artist. for the artist.

The sum of £8,250 was paid for a forest scene in pen and ink, dated, £895, by Shishkin, establishing another record for a drawing by the artist.

Israel, for £8,800.

A translucent lilac Cartier carriage timepiece made the highest price of £4,400 in the first sale to include objects of vertu at Phillips yesterday. A miniature gold fob watch applied with diamonds sold for £2,400 and Swiss nineteenth-century snuffbox made £1,500.

Jewish Art Gallery, a dealer from Israel, for £8,800.

English clocks made the highest prices yesterday at the sale of furniture, works of art, clocks and watches at Sotheby's Baigravia, which totalled £50,933. A mahogany chiming longcase clock, dating from the late 1890's sold for £3,000 to an American dealer; £2,000 was paid by a London dealer for another longcase clock of about 1910 and a fine small repeating ebonized bracket clock, by J. and W. Mitchell, of Glasgow, of about 1850, fetched £1,200.

A twenticth-century mahogany

attendance.
Mr Eric Young (British High
Commissioner to the Republic of
Scychelles) and Mrs Young had
the honour of being received by
The Queen.

marriages Mr T. J. W. Scott and the Hon C. O. Renton

Forthcoming

The engagement is announced between Timothy John Whittaker, younger son of the late Mr J. D. Scott and of Mrs Helen Scott, of Tregaron, Wales, and Clare Olivia, second daughter of Lord and Lady Renton of Huntingdon.

Mr J. G. Clunes-Ross and Miss A. V. Vickers

The engagement is announced and the marriage will take place in the autumn between John George, elder son of Mr and Mrs. John Clunies-Ross, of Cocos (Keeling) Islands, Indian Ocean, and Alison Victoria, daughter of Mr and Mrs Leo Vickers, of Chichester, West Sussex.

Mr T. J. Poeton and Miss S. G. Walters

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Professor W. C. Spector A memorial service for Professor A memorial service for Professor W. G. Spector was held at the Priory Church of St. Bartholomiew the Great, West Smithfield, yesterday. The Rev Robert Arnold officiated and the Rev Arthur Brown was robed. Mr Alfred Stansfeld, consultant pathologist, St. Bartholomew's Hospital, read the lesson and Professor Jacob Judah, University College Hospital, gave an address. Among these present

sity College Hospital, gave an address. Among those present were:

Mr. Tim Specior and Mr Andrew Specior (1903): Mr Sinniev Foreman, Mrs. Sune Specior the Counted for the Study of Infant Deaths!, Sir Edward and Lady Tickwell, Rr Robin Brook, Sir Jeremy Morse (Chairman of the Study of Infant Deaths!, Sir Edward and Lady Tickwell, Rr Robin Brook, Sir Jeremy Morse (Chairman of the Testing of the Bell Memorial Fellowship!, Sir John Hoge, Sir Jamus Gowans I Modical Research Council). Mrs. A Stansfeld, Mrs. Judah, Prince of the Bell Mrs. Judah, Prince of the Bell Mrs. Judah, Prince of the Mrs. Judah, Professor J. Williams i Pathological Society of Great Britan and Ireland.) Dr A. W. Franklin, Professor W. S. Pearl, Dr. C. Booth, Mr Louis Freedman, Dr B. C. Morson (Si Mark's Hospital), Professor W. S. Pearl, Dr. C. Booth, Mr Louis Freedman, Dr B. C. Morson (Si Mark's Hospital), Mr. W. Franklin, Professor W. S. Post, Dr. Jackson, Professor Greede Jenkins (Royal College of Pallod), Jenkins (address. Among those present

The King's School Worcester The Queen has approved the The Queen has approved the Home Secretary's recommendation that selected girl pupils at the school shall be named "Queen's Scholars".

The first such scholarship has been awarded to Catherine J. Boulton, formerly at Worcester Girls' Grammar School.

Walhampton School The governors of Walhampton

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Russian artists break

Several auction records for Russian artists were established at Sotheby's sale of Russian paintings drawings and watercolours yesterday. An oil painting entitled "A Lifeboat being driven towards rocks", by Ivan Konstantinovich Aivazovsky (1817–1900), formerly in the collection of Queen Olga of the Hellenes, Grand Duchess of Russia, was sold for £26,400 an auction record price for the artist.

It went to an overseas bidder,

The morning session of the sale, which included twentieth-century European paintings, also saw some high prices. Among them was "Le Baujo", a painting executed in Paris in 1922 by Henri Hayden. It sold to the

English clocks made the highest

A twenticth-century mahogany pedestal dining table in George III style went for £920; £700 was paid for a gold chronometer made by M. J. Rothschild and Co in London, 1878.

Latest wills

Mr James Heath, of Banbury, Oxfordshire, left estate valued at £160,999 net. After personal and other bequests he left the residue equally between the Imperial Cancer Research and the Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution.

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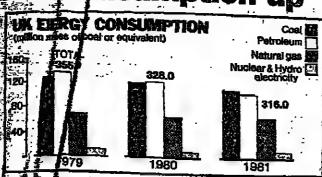
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militative grant consumption of primary fuels was million tonnes of coal in the three mainstoothe end of January, a rise of only 0.7 per cent nd year earlier. Motor spirit deliveries were down 6.2 earlier in the three months. Petroleum output, open was 23.5 million tonnes, a rise of 8.5 per cent on a sear earlier. Natural gas consumption rose by 7.1 ber centand coal by 0.4 per cent.

Drop in pension rebate Manager of occupational pension schemes which are

Members of occupational pension schemes which are contracted out of the State earnilngs-related pension find, will pay more for their pensions from April 1983. New ferms announced yesterday by the Government Atuary, said that the rebate to both employer and employee in a contracted-out scheme will be reduced from 7 per cent to 6.25 per cent. This means that imployees National Insurance contributions will rise from 6.25 per cent of relevant earnings to 6.6 per cent, after April 1983.

More BL jobs lost

A further 200 jobs seem certain to be lost at British
Leyland's truck plant at Bathate, West Lothian, after
JCB, the earth-moving company, said yesterday it was
pulling out of the remainder of its £5m engines contract. The Staffordshire company has decided to standardize on Perkins engines. A BL spokesman said the news came as a great blow.

MARKET SUMMARY

Gitts run out of steam

Carl Marks sues Russia

Carl Marks is suing the Soviet Union — Carl Marks Inc. of New York, that is, a securities company operating from that bastion of capital-

ism, Wall Street.
The company has filed suits in the southern district court of New York seeking \$618.75m (£325m) plus interest from Moscow over debts dating from the Russian Revolution. from the Russian Revolution. The case is being brought on behalf of some 3,000 holders of two debt issues sold in United States in 1916 for the Imperial Russian Government and repudiated by Russia in 1918. Due in 1921, the \$25m 5½ tent were payable in per cent were payable American gold coin.

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT Index 555.2 down 2.6

investors started to batten

down the hatches yesterday by

of next Fuesday's Budget.
As a result there were a few

aniers about to see the FT index and the day 2.6 down at 555.2,

and the pay 2.0 down at 555.2, having been 1.6 higher at 11am. Earlier booes of at least a % per cent cut in base rates now appear to be receding with just

our trading days left before the

our rading days len before the Budget.
Oils opened steady, but lost ground, after learning of Wall Street's nervous reactions to BNOC's latest round of price cutting for North Sea crude. BP closed unchanged at 282p and earlier gains among many of the others, were curtailed. Shell entired first 20 un at 342p. I same

butters were curtailed. Shen ended just 2p up at 342p, Lasmo 5p at 303p, Tricentrol 2p at 188p and Burman 1p at 177p.

Ultramar's full year figures were will received with the absence of a rights issue also according muse for extending 800.

proving cause for celebration. But after touching 395p at one stage.

the shares ended the day with net rise of 5p at 385p.

Gifts also showed signs of running out or steam after the market's recent spectacular per-

FT Gilbs 67.42 up 0.11 FT All share 321,49 down

18 23,013

Bid setback

Long dated issues ended the day with rises of up to 2%, while at the shorter end prices were generally, 21/16 better where

changed.
Turnel Holdings 'B' advanced a further 5p to 560p in the wake of RTZ's share offer around 1.

million shares were picked up.

Zoete & Beven, the latter which isRTZ's broker have been urging investors to buy shartes in Tunnel as a cheap way into RTZ.

Shares of Fleet Holdings, by brokers L Messel with existing transfers.

shares are expected to open at

Trafalgar was to be on offer, although it falled to affect the

share price which closed 4p up at

121p.
Peek Holdings held steady despite Ebenezer Thompson, a

1,52 million shares or 16.88 per cent of the equity. Harvard

Securities, currently doing a roaring trade in Reynolds Diversi-

fied until its quotation is restored on the Stock Exchange, has

bought 1.4 million of the shares for clients and may be in the market for more, if and when,

Sturta Holdings, whose deal with Mr Jim Stater's Laganvale

property company was recently called off, has completed the underwriting arrangements for its £1.7m rights issue.

ET./m rights issue.
Shares of Henlys slipped 1p to 114p after a disappointing annual report from Mr Godfrey Chandler.

chairman. Equity turnover on March 2 was £149.307m (21,887

Michael Clarks

they come on offer.

Meanwhile, a line of 600,000

chareholders. The

W.Green

bid for Means, Inc., the Chicago workwear and linen rental business. A rival suitor, the Philadelphia based ARA

Sketchley, the dry cleaners, suffered a blow yesterday in its first United States takeover

Mr Walter Goldsmsitk, director general of the Institute of Directors, warned business leaders yesterday not to expect a reflationary Budget. Mr Leo Tindemans, Belgian

Services group, stepped in offering \$37 a share, valuing Means at \$46m (£25.5m) against the \$40.6m offered by Sketchley at \$33 a share.

Foreign Minister, has again called on the United States, Japan and the REC to Improve

The presence of the Sau-dis, who produce about 40 per cent of Opec's output, is

regarded as vital if Opec is to make any real impact on the present turbulent world

target, and contrasts with the

profit of £23.3m achieved last

year, which was £20m below. Girobank will make up the

Mr Dearing told the com-mittee that the Post Office

needed to invest £700m over

the next five years. Through financing constraints, next

year's investment would be £130m instead of £220m.

complete the mechanization

of main sorting offices, £100m is wanted to replace

inadequate or outdated sort-

ing offices, £170m is required

to adapt or replace buildings.

The remainder of the invest-ment would be used to improve buildings and buy

Government financial tar-

gets require the Post Office to return 2 per cent on turnover (after interest) on

the postal side of the busi-

ness. These targets expire at the end of this financial year and are being reviewed by the Department of Industry.

The Post Office claims that

A senior economic adviser

vesterday predicted that there would be no significant

upturn in Western economies

before the 1990s, and possibly

not before the end of the

Professor Sir Douglas Hague said another period of

prosperity like that of the 1950s and 1960s would have to

wait until new growth indus-

Western countries, he said,

should try to work out some

understanding with the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries over the way the oil price should

increase from year to year.

Professor Hague was, how-

ever, not optimistic that such

an understanding would be

reached.

Addressing a financial conference in London, he forecast yesterday that the 1980s would see much greater

exchange rate stability than in

the 1970s. He could not see

high interest rates, for a year

tries emerged.

new equipment.

About £140m is needed to

Post Office chief

predicts £80m profit

Profits on the postal ser- cent. It intends to reduce its

yesterday. But he warned, would be substantially affec-investment was threatened by ted by the lack of investment, the Government's inflexible According to Mr Dearing,

the Government's inflexible According to Mr Dearing, attitude to external financing the financing limits prevent

The postal service is ex- as required. He warned: "If

pected to return a profit of such restrictions continue, £70m, nearly £20m above the planned capital pro-

By Bill Johnstone

Emergency

Opec meeting

could cut

prices again

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent

Oil ministers of the Organization of Petrolium Exporting Countries will hold an embarrassing across-the-board reduction in prices. It is considered highly probable month to discuss the world glut, Dr Mana Said al=Oteiba, president of Opec, announced yesturday. The move, which comes only a day after the North Sea oil prices were cut by \$4 a barrel, increases the possibility of more reductions in official world prices, with beneficial effects on western acconomies.

The may have to concede an embarrassing across-the-board reduction in prices. It is considered highly probable that Saudi Arabia will make a price reduction in output.

However, there is considered highly probable whether Opec members will be able to agree on concerted action, even if Saudi Arabia does attend the meeting.

Dr al-Oteiba attacked the British National Oil Corporation's cut in prices of North

economies.

Dr al=Oteiba, who is also Sea oil to \$31 a barrel. He oil minister of the United said: "These reductions will not solve the problems of Dabi that most of Opec's 13 countries resorting to them". There is no doubt that meeting. Some experts be lieve it could be held as early as the end of next week, A meeting has been expected for some time, and the oil levels for the first time, ation's cut in prices of North

pected for some time, and the oil levels for the first time. pecteu for some time, and the decision comes after two Major oil companies indiweeks of intensive diplomatic cated yesterday that they contacts within Opec. There was no indication last night, however, whether Saudi the Norwegian State oil Arabia, the organization's largest producer, will attend. Shaikh Zayed Bin Sultan similar cut.

British Petroleum accepted United Arab Emirates will the \$4 a barrel reduction on

al-Nahyan, president of the United Arab Emirates, will visit King Khaled, of Saudi Arabia today, presumably to press the Saudis to attend. the \$4 a barrel reduction on Tuesday and Esso and Shell indicated they would be following suit. The companies stressed that they would feel free to press for a further cut in North Sea prices before the 'end of June, despite earlier reports that BNOC had insisted on a price freeze until then.

But it is understood that the communies have agreed

If the meeting is held, the companies have agreed Saudi Arabia will be urged to cut its production to help maintain the present Opec pricing structure, based on a S34 a barrel benchmark. Otherwise Opec members the companies have agreed not to reopen negotiations unless the price of similar quality oil from Saudi Arabia and north African producers falls by more than \$4 to \$5 a

the corporation using profits

the planned capital programme will need to be cut

by 30-40 per cent. This could lead to a reduction in service

and efficiency through the postpoument of the com-pletion of the letter mechani-

Agency services or counter services which, in 1981, contributed 21.6 per cent of the corporation's profits,

have grown in the past year and are destined for further

growth. Income in 1980-81

for such services was £381m and is estimated to reach

The Post Office has aban-

doned a formula for charging

government departments for

these services and has had

new method of charging. Further discussions are to be

held with individual depart-

'No upturn this century'

By Melvyn Westlake

ments.

£439m this financial year.

zation programme".

Maxwell hints at joining fight for ACC

yesterday that he owns nonvoting shares in Associated Communications Corporation and hinted be could become the third man in a fight to me is that I get emotionally gain control of the asset-rich attached to my business. empire formerly headed by That's right, I do get

Lord Grade.

He would join Australian people who work for me.

Mr Robert Holmes a Court, who replaced Lord Grade as directors of ACC are going to chairman and chief executive start acting responsibly to and has two bids, one worth the people of that company," £46.5m on the table and Mr Gerald Ronson, whose Heron Corporation in now offering

voting stake.
"I don't believe Mr Holmes
a'Court wants to own ACC. He's either going to sell at

Millionaire publisher Mr the best price he can get or Robert Maxwell admitted break up the company. I do not intend to go in and strip the company and destroy it. Mr Holmes a'Court says the difference between him and

> He is still waiting to meet the board of ACC, a request which was first lodged on

an ms first interview since entering the battle, Mr Rouson said if he gained control of ACC, there son said yesterday that he would not be prepared to run drawal from films in the ACC if Mr Holmes a'Court retained his 51 per cent non-voting stake. which would pay him £202,000 a year until 1984 and then be terminated at six

"I don't want to get involved with the court case over Mr Gill's pay-off, but if a man was earning £125,000 a year and was thrown out — it was a straight fight with Lord Grade, him or me — for reasons we still don't know and he had worked there that long, then he may be entitled to it."

Mr Maxwell said he bought the shares some while ago "as an investment". Since then the two takeover offers have chased the price from 66p to a 12-month new peak last night of 91p. The stock market has convinced itself that higher prices for the entertainments to property group, whose asset backing is

Mr Maxwell said: "I am

Jack Gill, dismissed managing director of ACC, could well be brought back.

"I don't want to get the situation."

the situation."

He was referring to Monday's Appeal Court ruling which effectively paved the way for ACC to be sold to the highest bidder.

Meanwhile, the ACC board gathers today for the first formal meeting since the Appeal Court judgment. It is likely they will discuss how they might sell assets valued in excess of E7m.

in excess of E7m. Under the Takeover Code, they could either ask Mr Ronson's permission, seek a ruling of the full Takeover Panel, or ask shareholders' permission. Mr Holmes a Court is expected to make a statement next week on whether he intends to increase his bid for the group. Heron's offer docu-ment is due out on Monday

minths' notice, and that Mr. watching the situation. I am

Dawn raid planned for Fleet?

By Ronald Pullen

There is widespread speculation that today's stock market debut of Fleet Holding's, Trafalgar House's demerged newspaper and publishing interests, will coincide with a raid on the

company's shares.

A number of likely candi-A number of likely candidates have been mentioned including a consortium led by Mr Jocelyn Stevens, former deputy chairman of Express Newspapers; Mr Robert Holmes a Court, Mr Tiny Rowland of Lonrho, and Mr Robert Maxwell.

vice this year could reach costs by about 5 per cent
180m, Mr Ron Dearing, Post
Office chairman, told a Inland letters which, in
Parliamentary Select Com1981, contributed about 58
mittee on Industry and Trade
per cent of the revenue,
vesterday. But he warned would be substantially affec-Mr Maxwell denied planning a dawn raid on Fleet. He however said that he still harboured ambitions to own a Fleet Street newspaper.

hile Fleet s expected to start dealings at around 22-23p against the stated net assets of 59p and a 20p par value.

ROMANIA MILLSTONE

From Peter Norman, Brussels, March 3

Romania's proposals to reschedule about \$2,400m (£1,325m) of its Western debt have left bankers resentful a the way they were asked for re-scheduling and cast doubt on the usefulness of Eastern Block countries joining the International Monetary Fund to repair their economies.

"After Poland, it's the second Comecon millstone round our necks and such cases set a bad example to other Eastern Block deb-tors", said a West German banker summing up Roma-nia's request for an agreement rescheduling most of its debts due this year and about \$1,000m of debt outstanding

The volume of inland letters has remained about from last year.
After talks in Frankfur the same as the previous year, some 9,500 million items. Overseas mail services, which made a profit of £1.2m with a small group of its bankers last week, Romania sent telex messages to its 200 or so Western creditor instilast year from an income of tutions proposing that it repay the \$2,400m over 61/2 years. efficiency contributed to the f222m, are expected to show profits, although it increased a loss this year of £2.4m on prices in February by 9.3 per an income of £250m.

NCB faces monopolies inquiry By Jonathan Davis and Derek Harris

put at 125p a share, is on the

The Government yesterday with the election of Mr ordered the Monopolles Arthur Scargill as president Commission to investigate of the miners union, and the to monitor the performance man.
of nationalized industries.
The commission will be The commission will be carrying out six other inves-

Although the Government deveriment and the industry strempted to play down the will be focused on whether coal investigation as just the Commission tackles the another routine part of the commission's expanded role, there is no doubt that politically, the commission's that conclusions will be highly two regional matter and the industry stream and the industry stream.

Commission to investigate of the miners' union, and the the efficiency of the National imminent retirement of Sir Coal Board as part of a drive Derek Ezra, the board chair-

tigations, including one into operating costs and its invest-the Civil Aviation Authority. Although the Government Government and the industry

politically, the commission's be followed by inquiries into conclusions will be highly two regional water authorises. The investigation orities, Anglian and North comes at a time when the West, and two electricity coal industry is facing a boards, Yorkshire and South critical change of course, Wales.

Caledonian MacBrayne ferry operators with a mon-opoly in the Scottish islands and part of the Scottish Transport Group, will also be

The investigation of the Anglian and North West water authoritied will test whether they can improve the efficiency and reduce the costs of their sewerage

operations.

In future the Government will announce its investigation programme for the coming year in advance, Mr John Biffen, the Secretary of State for Trade, said. But after an investigation of an industry a fresh inquiry would not be mounted for at

CSI wants new investor protection

By Lorna Bourke The council gives its full

There is an urgent need for new legislation to protect support to these suggesting investors, the council for the Securities Industry has told the Department of Trade. The council also supports the need for a statutory authority to regulate licensed

collapse of several licensed licensed dealers in Securities — most indemnity and fidelity innotably Norton Warburg, which crashed owing private investors nearly £5 million — the department published draft proposale 5. the department published These proposals are en-draft proposals for amending thusiastically handled by the

The department's main proposals were that clients money should be kept in a separate "client's account" which would be regularly monitored by the depart-ment, and that it should be a

CSI, though it believes they

be withdrawn.

The CSI also suggest several amendments on dealing practices, pointing out that dealers' books cannot be written up before a trans-action is carried out. The recommendation is, therefore that securities bought for discretionary clients should be allocated to those clients immediately, "and in so doing, the dealer shall not take a turn in the dealing price".

should be tightened up still

further by defining precisely what can be paid into a client's account and what can

ventures

By Peter Hill

Japanese British and

actively encouraging exchanges with Japanese companies in the hope of stimu-lating collaborative deals and improving manufacturing efficiency.

But Mr Kenneth Baker,

to show greater initiative at the forthcoming session of the Anglo-Japanese Industrial Cooperation Committee.
Rolls-Royce is already involved in a joint aeroengine project with three large Japanese companies and more recently International Computers Ltd negotiated a deal with Japan's Fujitsu, under which ICL will market Fujistu's large mainframe machines in Europe with the British company also gaining access to advanced micro-chip tech-

nology. Mr Baker, speaking to the British Institute of Management said: "Both the Japanese and the British Government have made it clear that they wish to see more collaboration of this nature.

Confederation of British Industry have rejected many of the TUC recommendations — including its main call for the introduction of regional labour subsidies — the CBI favours the TUC suggestion that the present map needs

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Talks on more joint

the licensed dealers' rules.

government officials will meet later this month to discuss further industrial collaborative ventures.
The British Government is

Mnisters are facing renewed pressure from employers and trade unions for

Minister for Information Technology emphasized yes-terday that the Government

Pact with Opec needed, says Thatcher adviser

was looking to the Japanese

 Rates moves narrowly in quiet trading with the pound recovering **LONDON CLOSE** STERLING

index 90.8 up 0.1 DM4.3200 Fr.F11.0200 Yen 432.00 DOLLAR Index 113.1 down 0.2 DM2.3710 down 67 pts GOLD -

Industry Select Committee on British Shipbuilders — Confederation of British Industry regional conference, West Midlands. Board meetings: interims: Medminster, Mitchell Cotts. Finals: Antofagasta Railway, General Mining Union General

market's recent speciacular per-formance. Dealers reported a noticeable trailing off in turnover with no further indications from the Bank of England of the expected cut in interest rates. COMMODITIES

 Cash fin remained under selling pressure yesterday and closed 270 down at £7,080 a tonne; after reading £6,960 in the morning. But three months tin rose by £90 to £7,295 a tonne, producing one of the widest contangos for many months. Much of the morning selling was against options dealers said. There was buffer stock buying in the atternoon. Mr Paul Leong. Malaysia's Primary Industries Minister, said that a meeting of all in producers was likely to be held in Nigaria at the end of June. Big purchases of lead by the Soviet Union stopped the price decline and pushed cash prices up by £3.50 to £337 a tonne. The from -5342.25 to £343.75. Dealers said up to 15,000 tornes of lead could be sent to the Soviet Could be sent to the Metal exchange stocks might not rise as expected. More purchases could be made next month, but the rise is not seen as the start of a bull market. Zinc prices went up in sympathy with lead.

TODAY

Corporation, Law Debenture Corporation, Macallan-Glentivet, Ransomes Sims and Jefferies Rea Bros. Rentokii Group, W N Sharpe, Tavener Rutledge,

Weeks Petroleum.

OTHER EXCHANGES Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Average 7,474.42 up 165:01. Hongkong: Hang Seng Index 1,196.69 down 35.08.

CURRENCIES from a day's low of \$1.8125

\$1.8230 up 90 points

\$353.50down \$7

 Period rates eased by about per cent. In response to a forecast shortage of £300m., the Bank bought £38m. of bills outright at unchanged rates and \$206m. for repurchase by the houses on March 24 at 13% per cent.

MONEY MARKETS

Domestic rates Base rates 131/2 3-month interbank 13%-13% Euro-currency rates 3 month dollar 14%. 3 month DM 91% -912/16

3 month Fr.F 15%-15%

Professor Hague: pessimist.

western governments relaxing their efforts to "squeeze out" inflation, through the use of do not fall towards very much the motor car. The do not fall towards zero next upturn would have to be that the pagain", Professor Hague said. based on somethin new redrawing.

oack remained the price of oil. This was more a political phenomenon rather than an economic one. Forecasting was therefore difficult. "I remain a moderate pessimist. I do not believe the prophets of doom who predict that a new oil price increase in the mid-1980s will bring the world to economic and even military disaster. The emergence of France, Germany, and the United States as important manufac

The joker in this particular

turing nations in the 1870 and 1880s elbowed Britain from its hitherto preeminent position with the consequence that it expressed 20 depression. "But the evidence of his-tory, from the 1930s onwards, nations now faced a similar period of years during which (the Western group) ... they would have to adjust to cannot operate for long at the success of the newly they would have to adjust to tolerable rates of unemploy-industrializing nations. This ment with real interest rates was a gloomy forecast, but (after allowing for inflation) that did not make it wrong.

a redrawing of the Govern-ment's regional policy map. Although Ministers and the

BANK LIMITED

Balance Sheet at 31 December 1981

£		£
	Current Assets	
21,000,000	Cash, balances at bankers, money at call and short notice	169,105,209
21,000,000	Bills discounted	697,250
7,250,000	Deposits with banks	135,859,768
99,746	Certificates of deposit purchased	13,975,405
	Loans and advances	39,332,849
	Accrued interest receivable and	•
39,452,149	other debtors	18,457,609
7,692,901		377,428,090
609,378,151 10,423,197	Loans and Advances repayable after one year	288,176,985
387,227	Leased Assets	20,240,723
17,977,216 1,711,250	Investments – Unlisted at cost (directors' valuation)	822,867
639,877,041	Fixed Assets	353,426
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Extracts from the Chairman's Statement

The trading profit for 1981 was £9,323,378 compared with £5,756,384 for the previous year. The sum of £2,000,000 has been added to general reserve. The Board has recommended a dividend of £1,711,250 (9.25% on the share capital averaged over the year). The paid-up share capital was increased from £16,000,000 to £21,000,000 on 30th June 1981.

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Ubic Nederland B.V. - 50%

Libyan Arab Foreign Bank - 25%

Midland Bank plc - 25%

BUSINESS NEWS

CAPITAL MARKETS

Borrowing on the international capital markets fell to \$11,990m (£6,588m) in February from \$13,850m in January and \$14,790m tast December, the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development said

The fall was caused by a drop to \$4,470m in February from \$8,610m in January in completions of medium and long term syndicated Euroloans to all the main groups of borrowing countries, OECD said.

Portugal's state-owned develop-ment bank, has raised a \$120m syndicated toan from a group of banks whose agent is Manufac-turers Hanover. The terms are the finest Portugal has obtained: % finest Portugal has obtained: % per cent over Libor for the first two years and % per cent over Libor for the remaining six years. Among the other banks participating are banco Espirito Santo, Comercial de Lisboa, Bank of Tokyo, IBJ International, Long-Term Credit Bank of Japan, State bbank of India, Arab Bank Investment Company, and Chuo Trust and Banking Company.

Company, and Chao Trust and Banking Company.

The World Bank has signed for a yen 20,000m, 10-year Euroyen bond, setting the coupon at 8,375 per cent and issue price at per. The bond, with payment due March 12, will be listed on the luverburge and Singapore at the Luxembourg and Singapore stock

The Asian Development Bank is making a yen 20,000m, 8,2 per cent, 12 year public bond issue in Japan at 99.65 per cent. Nomura Securities, Daiwa Securities, Nikko Securities and Yamalchi Securities were the managing underwriters for the bonds.

International Finance NY, Curacao, will float a Fr100m maximum 10 year bond on the Swiss capital market until on the Swiss Capital market und March 12. Terms of the bond, which is guaranteed by the parent company Occidental Petroleum, will be published on March 8.

A group of 10 Japanese financial companies led by Industrial Bank of Japan have signed an agreement to provide Zona

Libre De Colon of Panama with yen credits totalling yen11,000. The credits will be used to finance

developments of Colon City on the Caribbean sea side of the Panama the bank of Tokyo, has signed a contract to extend to Western Australia's State Energy Commision a yen 27,000m 15-year loan.

The loan, carrying annual interest of the Japanese long-term prime lending rate, now 8.6 per cent, plus an undisclosed margin, will be used to buy large diameter steel pipes from Japan and Italy. Talwan Power Co has signed for loans totalling \$350m over the last week and will sign for another \$230m in the near future.

OVERSEAS COMPANIES

big four "Singapore" banks, announced group aftertax profit rose 62 per cent in 1981 to Singapore \$52/9m (£13.6m) from 1980.

Singapore Government-con-trolled Keppel Shipyard an-nounced group aftertax profit rose 31 per cent to Singapore \$99.1 m from 1980. sales rose 43 per cent to Singapore \$813m.
Selangor Properties announced higher earnings for the year ended October but cut its dividends without explantion.

The Malaysian property company said aftertax profit rose about twoand-a-half times to Ringgits

BIDS AND DEALS

Contract Papers Holdings, a private company controlled by Mr C. T. Van Hoorn, has purchased the share capital and business of Howard Smith Papers. Both companies are based in London The deal is based on estimated tangible net assets of £4.4m. The combined business with a pro-jected turnover of £30m in paper distribution will become one of the independent suppliers to the United Kingdom market, Contract

Papers say.

The freehold interest of 36-40 Maple Street, London W1. has been sold, for an undisclosed sum, to the Black Arrow Group through chartered surveyors Sinclair Gold-

(£3.36m) from the year earlier and declared a 5 sen a share final dividend, bringing the total payout to 10 sen, down from 13 sen.

Preussag, the West German metals, chemicals and mining group, has increased its interest in Amalgamated Metal Corporation to 85.8 per cent from 70.5 per cent Amalgamated Metal Corporation to 85.8 per cent from 79.5 per cent during the last months of 1981. London-based AMC ranks as one of the world's largest metal traders with an annual turnover equivalent

of DM5,600 (£1,287m).
Shearson American Express
has tentatively agreed to acquire
Robinson-Humphrey, a privately
owned southeastern regional in-

vestment firm.

South African Breweries is obliged to issue 18,125,057 shares in partial settlement of the consideration for the 7,250,023 shares acquired in Edgars Con-

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LATEST RESULTS

Company	Sales	Profits	Esmings	Div	Pay	Year s
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Cempari (1)	14.2(12.04)	0.42(0.28)	3.7(2.0)	2(1)	20/4	(3.1)
Cons.Gold (1)		67.5(70.7)	21.5(30.4)	8 5(8 5)	29/4	(24.5)
Sen.Accident (F)		104.9(92.3)	43.7(39.8)	8.7(7.2)	1/7	16(13)
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Preliminary Announcement of 1981 Group Results

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The Ultramar Group achieved record financial results for the year 1981 with sales revenue, profits and cash flow all being substantially higher than for 1980. The oil and gas producing operations in Indonesia continued to be the major contributor to the excellent financial results. We also had stronger than anticipated performance from our Eastern Canadian and Caribbean operations. Most of our earnings are in U.S. and Canadian dollars and the 1981 financial results have benefited from the strength of these currencies when measured against sterling.

In 1981 we began an accelerated capital expenditure programme and this will continue through 1982 and 1983. The major items in this programme are the development of oil and gas fields in Indonesia and the North Sea, the modernization of the Quebec Refinery, the construction of a modern tleet of oil-bulk-ore carriers and a world-wide exploration programme to find additional oil and gas reserves. Our financial position has strengthened considerably over recent years. Some of the projects in this programme are being financed by loans and others are being met from our own resources.

It is too early to forecast 1982 financial results. especially at a time when prices of crude oil and refined products are in turmoil and oil industry projections of supply and demand over the short term seem to be out of date almost before the ink is dry on them. Our return on invested capital for 1981 was 24 per cent and we have averaged

just over that for the last three years. It will be difficult to match the record results achieved in 1981, but we expect to continue to earn a good return on our investments.

An interim dividend of 5p per Share was paid on 16th October 1981. Your Directors will recommend at the Annual General Meeting on 13th May 1982 that a final dividend in respect of the year ended 31st December 1981 of 8p per Share be paid to Shareholders on the Register at the close of business on 8th April 1982.

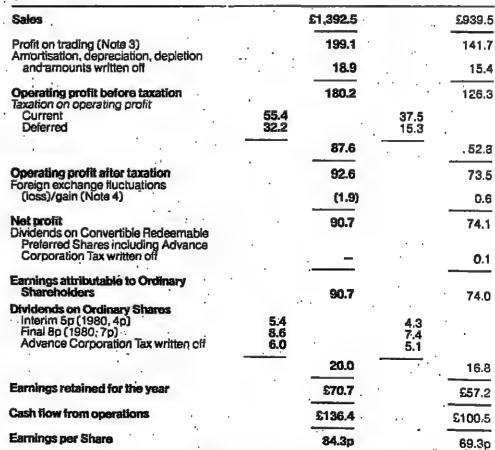
The Report and Accounts for 1981 will be issued on 20th April 1982 and the Annual General Meeting will be held at The Savoy Hotel, London WC2, on Thursday, 13th May 1982 at 11 am.

ARNOLD LORBEER Chairman 3rd March 1982



Ultramar

Ultramar, as operator, drilled a successful exploration well in block 13/29 in the North Sea



Notes

 Group operating profits are largely in U.S. and Canadian dollars
 Translation exchange rates used by the Group are: 31st December £1 equals US\$ US\$1 equals Can.\$

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3 Profit on trading includes the release of provisions of £17.1 million for retinery sophistication costs and future shipping losses no longer required and is after a charge of £9.4 million in respect of costs relating to employee pension 4 The loss on loreign exchange fluctuations of £1.9million during

1981 relates almost entirely to long term loans of individual subsidiaries repayable over the years to 1993 and reflects the premium on forward exchange contracts arranged to fix the cost of repaying Sw.Fr.30 million in 1985. Operating results 1981 1980

Sales of oil (barrels per day) Oil refined (barrels per day) Oil produced (barrels per day) Gas produced (thousands of 8,900 cubic feet per day) 168,300 Gross wells drilled Oil and gas wells completed (in which the Group has varying interests)

Ultramar <u>Address</u>

Please send me a copy of the full Preliminary Announcement of 1981 Group Results, which includes the Source and Application of Funds Statement and the Current Cost Profit and Loss The British Oil Company To The Secretaries, Ultramar PLC, Morgan House, 1 Angel Court, London EC2R 7AU.

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Semine up, Mr Justice of a day and the mad the upost sympathy" with the James a dismoking cam-plants they were ordered to a oly \$35 (£20) apiece: Lostery Coleman and Lorde Biffin chortled: "You can stib out a cigarette mighty but you can's snuff hubble LUP so quickly". Fersonally, I am not so sure that the wholesome ribsone have had the last word Stevenson said: "No forms should marry a secontallery or a man who ti-smoking

hemitallers or a man who does not snoke." And what is smoking to a Chancellor, save a way of raising money. Remember the Roman emperor Vespasian, chided for taxing public lavatories; he flipped at coin and said: "Money has no smell."

The only place that does without a pank is, I suppose, the cemetely, and along comes Lloyds Bakk to help recycle the £153th City of London ratepayers are kindly spending on revivilying the 25 acres comprising the Barbican Arts and Conference Centre and known as the City of the Dead. Lloyds has in fact the unity branch of a bank in the Fortress, and to tell the whole truth; it is but a sub branch. Presumably, Sir Jeremy Morse, chairmin of Lloyds and a director of the City Arts Trust will wait and see just how much conference trade the Centre generates now that Centre generates now that just about every rival venue is grasping for business.



"I suppose this will mean another re-run of Startrek..."

Win the pools for just £40?

A pocket calculator could hit the jackpot for a small Cotswold firm. Dutchford of Circucester, Gloucestershire, is about to market our first football pools forecaster, which so far this season is said to be consistently better than all other tipsters combined. We call it the Datadraw, explains Keith Lindley Technical Director. It is something like a calculate of the calculate It is something like a calculator. If can be used for betting of any sort, but is particularly suitable for the League format. It uses data that is available each week in the nevispapers, but it also allows the punter to feed in his own hunches. We've already had quite a few wins."

ecaster is the brainthild of Don Wright, an ex-RAF navigator with a passion for playing games. Pre-viously, ie has been respon-sible for puzzles on the back of Kelber's Cornflakes. Keith adds: "The Datadraw should itail at just under £40".

How kind of Keith and Don grow rich by enriching

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socialists choose which party to back? Should they protect capital, and support moneta-tists (plus three million unemployed)? The hard Left as a form of Danegeld? Or dither in the middle? Erst-while.

Labour MP and saviour of British Printing Corporation, Mr Robert Maxwell, has just surbbed the SDP. Indeed he seemed vesterday to be yesterday to be falling for the Iron Lady's magnetic attraction. He told me for must give Maggie credit for getting inflation down, but I did not vote for her and never would. I'm a die hard Labour man."

Peter Wainwright

NEW APPOINTMENTS

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Sir Humphrey Pridiagy has been appointed a director of Grindlays Holdings.

Mr R. N. Parsons, a managing director, has assumed responsibility for operations in the Middle East and Africa of Grindlays Bank Group. He succeeds Mr A. C. F. Thomson who retires from executive duties but remains a director of the bank and of Grandlays Holdings.

Peter Wilson-Smith

Why the big banks will keep their record profits

the figures are impressive, still is. At the same time the Lloyds Bank kicked off the banks have been finding that reporting season with a one-

nounced an 8 per cent rise in to 35 per cent of the British deposits to £567m.

The record prodit — considerably higher than 1980 the impact of falling interest rates by widening the gap windfall profits tax — might between what they charge well prompt the man in the street to ask whether savers on interest-bearing another special levy was deposits and this they did last west.

The profits of three banks to have reported so far total £1,447m compared with £1,447m compared with costs have still cut into £1,224m in 1980 — an 18 per domestic earnings. Lloyds cent increase.

Midland is not expected to do as well as the other banks and some outsiders are even forecasting a fall in profits. But even assuming the worst
— that Midland's profits are
down from £232m to say
£215m — the total profits of
the big four would still show a 14 per cent gain to £1,665m during a year when much of British industry was facing the worst recession since the

Dividends have also been raised sharply. Barclays has raised 1981 dividends by 19 per cent and indicated a one-fifth rise for 1982, Nat West gave shareholders one fifth more and Lloyds a one-quar-

But despite these very high figures the clearing bank chairmen appear remarkably relaxed and the general feeling is that the banks should escape from next week's Budget largely unscathed.

made great play of the fact that last year's windfall tax, which cost the big four a total of £315m, was a oncefor-all impost.

But on top of that, the

banks would certainly argue that the crucial element which made last year's pro-fits so politically sensitive is less in evidence this year. The windfall or endowment

element in bank profits, which srises from high ing trend in domestic profits interest rates and which was clearly downwards, as at provided the main justification for last year's special profits tax, has been falling. The banks have also been at the profits of the profi Historically the banks have pains to point of the growth prospered from high interest in their international business because a large part of the deposits are in the deposits are in the form of current accounts wided £38m of the £44m ride which do not be a supplied to the first property accounts. winch do not pay inter the customer although they now cost about 10 per cent to

During 1981 average bank contribution increased from base rates came down from 39 per cent to 47 per ent of 16.3 per cent the previous profits before loan interest.

Three of the four hig year to 13.2 per cent thus clearing banks have pub-reducing the windfall lished their 1981 results and element, important though it third gain to £386m, National drawn from current accounts Westminster showed a 20 per has been falling. At Barclays, cent rise to £494m and earlier this week Barclays announced an 8 per cent rise in to 33 per cent of the British denosit has

But lower interest rates together with rising staff

appear to be the one excepincrease in domestic market share, which some put at about 2 per cent, and this growth combined with cost control appears to have been relatively strong domestic performance.

Barclays, on the other hand, has seen domestic branch banking profits fall for the second year running; from £325m before loan interest in 1979, profits of the parent bank fell to £267m last year.

The trend at Nat West was heavily disguised by the extraordinary swing in bad debt provisions. The parent bank had a £5m credit to profits compared with an £86m charge the previous year. This gave rise to much cynical comment that provisions had been bumped up the previous year to avoid a windfall profits tax and Nat West was now writing all the provisions back. However the more charitable explanation is that the bank has been able to release a sizable lump of provisions stretching back several years, which have now proved unnecessary.

Nat West disclosed an improvement in its domestic profits as a result of the turnround in provisions but given that a large part of this was exceptional, the underlying trend in domestic profits was clearly downwards, as at

Lloyds also showed big gains on its international

operations. The international



WHAT THEY MADE

			ROFITS			
	1981	1980	1979	1978	1977	1976
Barciays	567	524	529	373	295	198
Lloyds	386	290	277	185	173	148
Midlands		232	315	231	197	167
Nat West	494	410	441	306	241	1884

Nat West's international banking division also showed an improvement in profits before loan interest despite the continuing problems with National Bank of North National Bank of North America, although if financ-ing costs were fairly allo-cated, Nat West's interna-tional gains would probably prove less impressive than that of the other banks.

Leasing is another area where the banks made bigger profits last year, but it has also had a big impact in reducing the tax charge of two of the banks to report so far — a fact which will not be missed by those who feel the missed by those who feel the banks should be taxed more

relates to overseas tax and after taking advantages of all the reliefs available to them the banks pay very little United Kingdom corporation

On the basis of 1980 accounts, for instance, the big four clearing banks incurred a liability for United Kingdom corporation tax of only about 166m. This ex-cludes deferred tax which they have provided for on the basis that it may become payable at some future date and is also after netting off relief for overseas taxation.

Rough guide though it is, it does bear out the point that charge at Barclays, for the banks can greatly reduce their tax bill through leasing 1105m last year and this £105m last year and that of and — along with many other

all of this is likely to mean some reassessment of the different credit risks in-

rather more critical eye by bankers, while some of the oil importers may begin to look more creditworthy if they use the leeway provided

by falling prices to arrest the deterioration in their financ-

when oil prices were also falling in real terms, and the

West was in recession. The

total foreign exchange re-serves of the Third World

also slumped to a low point during that year. This was followed by some recovery in

the financial position of

developing countries as a whole. They increased their

borrowings and their export

earnings and rebuilt their

gold and foreign currency

However, the financial position today is nearly as bad as it was in 1975.

According to the latest Amex

Bank Review, the reserves of

developing countries fell 15

per cent last year. Moreover

their debt repayments in 1981 exceeded their total bank

deposits - the first time that

this has been the case for at

least five years. In short,

many developing countries are financially extremely

Reserves provide a cushion

against a fall in export

earnings or other unpredict-

able events. If they continue to fall, some Third World

countries will have no alternative but to slash

imports and reduce their

stretched.

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The situation today has

parellels with 1975,

taxed heavily on their United

Kingdom profits.
In their defence, of course, the banks point to the benefits they provide for industry with their leasing business by providing a cheap form of finance for capital investment. They also argue that much of the tax advantage they gain through leasing is passed straight on to the lessee in the form of lower effective interest

One of the main arguments put forward against the windfall profits tax by the banks was that it would eat into their capital bases and impair their ability to grow.

On, this score the banks appear to have weathered the tax pretty well and they have not been constrained from paying much higher divi-dends in 1981. Midland Bank may prove

to have been the worst sufferer when it reports results later this month. The results later this month. The windfall tax came at a particularly bad time for Midland. Last year it went ahead with the big and expensive acquisition of Crocker National Corporation in the United States and its recent profits perand its recent profits per-formance has been poor.

However the other banks have all emerged from 1981 with fairly comfortable capi-tal ratios. Ideally of course bankers would like their capital bases to grow in line with their balance sheets but e fall in sterling against the dollar and other currencies has inflated the balance sheets of the banks.

Sheets of the banks.

1979 1978 1977 1976

529 373 295 198 year, did see its free capital ratio (which indicates the strength of the balance sheet) slip from 4 to 3 .6 per cent. However the £100m loan stock it is raising — it lost £94m through the windfall profits tax — will restore the relates to overseas tax and ratio to 3.8 per cent. ratio to 3.8 per cent.

An indication of the cost of the windfall tax of profits was given by Nat West which estimated that £14m of the £27m ride in loan interest last year represented the cost of additional loan capital to replace what it lost through the tax.

An important development

of bank lending over the past year had been the big rise in mortgage business carried out by the banks, which are now thought to be providing about 50 per cent of all bank mortgages at the moment and has just topped £1,000m in mortgage lending. However the impact on bank profits, although it will grow, is likely to remain fairly modest £105m last year and that of and — along with many other and probably has a depress-Nat West from £92m to £57m. parts of industry — are not ing effect on margins.

had reserves which where less adequate than they were in 1975. In almost two-thirds

of the countries examined, reserves were not sufficient

to buy three months imports, which is usually regarded as

which is usually regarded as the minimum amount. These included countries that were self-sufficient in oil or net exporters — like Bolivia,

Egypt, Guatemala, and Mexi-co — as well as oil importers, co — as well as oil importers, like Jamaica, Thailand, Tan-

zania and Morocco. Taken together, the developing countries possessed

reserves equivalent to 31/2

months imports, compared with three months in 1975 and a peak of 4% months in

The question is whether

the developing countries can now re-build their financial positions as they did after

1975. This looks increasingly

to continue for many month.

World nations' scope for exporting their way out of trouble (whereas in 1976 the

world economy was well on the way to recovery), and, in the longer-term, it looks highly likely that the de-pression in oil prices will

prove as transitory as in 1975, and to a lesser extent in

If the price resumes it

upward trend, this will help

sustain the increasing num-

ber of oil exporters. But if

the oil importers have not got

their finances into better

shape by that stage, many of them will be in very deep

trouble.

This will reduce the Third

The oil exporting nations are likely to be viewed with a rather more critical eye by bankers, while some of the oil importers may begin to world recession seems likely to be seems likely to be viewed with a that the debt burden is higher now than it was in the mid-1970s. Moreover, the world recession seems likely

Business Editor

Spotlight on the NCB

in for the nationalised industries, remaining firm in its belief that they are innately inefficient and must be made to mend their ways,

It is not a totally unjustified presumption. Common experience and successive enquiries have shown corporations suffer most of the diseases of large corpor-ations with a dominant market position. The problem for the Govern-ment is how to get at these inefficiencies,

One approach, furthered yesterday with the National Coal Board (and with two water boards to follow), is to refer the industries to the Monopolies Commission for investigation. Several, including the Central Electricity Generating Board and the gas showrooms, have been referred to the commission in this way, and the reports have been of higher quality than most of its reports on commercial companies.

There is no reason to doubt that in the Coal Board's case it will not also be useful. For too long the Coal Board has been regarded as a sacred cow that cannot be directly criticized. On the whole it appears efficiently run but there is no barm for its management to face the inquisitors.

Alternative approaches being canvassed include a change in the structural relationship as proposed by the Think Tank. It is apparently gaining some Downing Street support. Under the Tank's suggestions, government departments would set up internal auditing bodies for their own nationalised industries, staffed partly by experts and the industry boards would be reconstituted to give power to non-executive

outsiders.
Parliament meanwhile is fiercely promoting its own preference for giving the Auditor General access to the industries and the Select Committees authority to review his reports.

Of course the drawback to all these suggestions is that such efficiency audits can barely touch the surface a corporation whose profit and loss is decided by government policy towards pit closures, electricity generation and subsidies. The fundamental questions hovering over the NCB -which is currently absorbing nearly £500m a year in subsidies — is whether the miners are prepared for pit-

This government has got it whether the Government is prepared to force closures of less efficient pits in areas of high unemployment in favour of the new mines at Selby, and whether the Government should allow full competition to coal from imports or untaxed alternative fuels.

As long as this is so, then the danger of this massed assault is that, far from improving the efficiency of industries, it will divert attention from the fundament structural problems and gravely damage morale in the corporations.

Budget Top tax rates

It is a brave man who starts delving deeper into Bidge predictions so close to the event. But the more one looks at the scenario, the more one sees compelling political pressures for the Chancellor to concentrate his attentions on the personal rather than the

personal rather than the corporate sector.

Whether that means selective help to industry and, perhaps, some initiative to help bulk industrial buyers of energy rather than a significant cut in the National Insurance Sur-charge remains to be seen. But the fact of the matter is that the government is going to find it extremely difficult to persuade the electorate that this is in any way a good budget for

Even with the indexation of personal allowances in line with last year's (12 per cent) inflation, taxpayers would find the percentage of their income going in tax rising once more thanks to the extra they are going to have to pay for national insurance contributions.

inevitable in the sense that fewer in work have to pay a greater proportion of their income to support those out of work. But that is not going to make it any the more palatable. Nor, more particularly, is the fact that people seem certain to receive less in absolute terms in their first pay packet of the new tax year than in the last one of the old year.

That would not, however, be true of the higher paid were the Chancellor to index all tax bands. A married man earning more than about £15,000 (and with no morgage) would start to find more money in his pocket, while for those paying tax at the top rate the proportionate tax take

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like Nigeria, Indonesia or Algeria.

lower prices will mean vital savings of foreign exchange.

in the oil price will cut their middle 1970s. import bills by \$1,500m. Among the chief benefici- largest oil producer, also

The slide in world oil prices has not come a moment too soon for many hard-pressed developing countries. Across large parts of Africa, Asia and Latin America, the combination of recession, high interest rates and declining commodity prices is taking a heavy toll. Lower oil

world nations which are not members of the Organisation more than double between 1978 and 1980, from \$10,000 to \$23,000m.

The recent drop in the oil price will only go a small way today produce more oil than to reversing the previous they need for show-allows. they need for themselves or are almost self-sufficient. Mexico and Egypt are the

most notable examples. But the list also includes Malaysia, Trinidad and Toba-go, Argentina, Angola, and Cameroon. Production in this group has jumped more than 50 per cent since 1978, and is expected to reach 5.6 million barrels a day this year — equivalent to about a quarter of all the oil produced by

For this group of nations, the declining price for oil will be less than welcome. Their position is not very different to the high-population producers of OPEC,

For them, lower oil revenues will mean substantial they may simply decide to belt-tightening. But, for another 80 or 90 countries in imported goods, in order to the Third World, which remain net importers of oil.

Although many of these aaccount deficit has incountries have been busily creased dramatcally and its developing alternative source foreign currency reserves es of energy, like hydro-electricity and nuclear energy, reserves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have nor seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have no seerves were only sufficient the oil imports have no seerves were only sufficient the oil imports the oil of the oil the oil imports have not to pay for two months changed much in volume imports in 1980 and more terms. Overall, every \$1 drop than a year's imports in the

A delicate balance for poorer nations

bills will provide some respite.

But the benefits of falling rapidly building up their industry. These "newly inmiform. In the space of a few years, oil production has risen sharply in many Third World nations which are not members of the Organisation of Petroleum Reporting 1978 and 1980 from \$1000

The recent drop in the oil price will only go a small way to reversing the previous huge jump in energy bills. But for a country like Brazil, which imports four-fifths of all the oil it consumes, any reversal is a welcome relief. India is another big developing country standing to gain muite markedly. It produces only about a third of its substantial oil requirements.

However, the overall effect on the Third World's current account deficit may not be all that large. The gains and losses among the non-OPEC nations may broadly cancel out. The precise outcome will depend on how various countries react. Those which gain may choose to use the unexpected windfall to repay short-term debts and build up their depleted foreign currency reserves. Alternatively,

Among the losers, Nigeria is probably in the most difficult position. Its current than a year's imports in the

OIL PRICES AND THE THIRD WORLD By Melvyn Westlake

Government allowed the peso to float freely against the dollar on the international currency markets, and it immediately fell by 30 per

Mexico is something of a special case. Even so, several other oil exporters have feit

higher economic activity in the industrialized nations. Higher growth in the West would help halt the slide in commodity prices and provide bigger markets for Third World exports. However, the oil price fall would have to go a good deal further before it has a significant effect on world growth.

In the meantime, it may well trigger off changes in the pattern of bank lending. One implication of a fall in the revenues of the oil exporters is that less money will be available to the banks for recycling.

Some oil exporters will be

per cent up on the previous year.

External debt has soared and growth has slumped. Two weeks ago the Mexican

Third World may need to borrow rather less if their oil of the collection. For the banks, all of this is likely to mean

PERSPECTIVE:

obliged to ask their bankers for bigger loans. A key factor for the Third is the extent that lower oil prices stimulate

Mexico, the world's fourth

DEFICITS OF NON-OIL DEVELOPING NATIONS

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Printing makes money again...building reaches high

BPCC takes the grave out of gravure

British Printing Corporation used to have an official licence to print money. Its new owner, chairman and chief executive, Mr Robert Maxwell, says is is now making money for itself and hopes to start paying some form of dividend this year (Philip Robinson and Edward Townsend

That would be a year earlier than thought possible last April when Mr Maxwell's private Pergamon Press was setting up a rescue package for BPC, which lost £11m in 1980.

When the group, now called British Printing & Communications Corporation, reports figures for 1981 next month, it is likely to show a £4m loss.

"I do not think shareholders will be very far wrong if they guess they will get a dividend for 1982, subject to unforseen circumstances," Mr Maxwell says. Around 76 per cent of BPCC shares are now owned by Pergamon Press. mon Press.

Mr Maxwell states that the company had returned to profitability much sooner than anyone except himself and Lord Kearton had thought and this was entirely due to the excellent co-operation from the unions.

BPCC is now spending around fresses, coupled with a willing-ness on the part of the unions to paperless society he says. The group has just awarded a £4m presses, coupled with a willingness on the part of the unions to accept job cuts, will restore the industry's competitiveness.

contract to a United States company to computerize some of its encyclopedias, and today he will open a £3.5m computer for Pergamon capable of the same

The group has, in fact, done more than most to correct the chronic under-investment that caused the gravure British industry to struggle against the more efficient foreign competition.

But clearly there remains much over-capacity and more closures and redundancies must be inevi-table among the three major contenders — BPCC, Reed Inter-national's Odhams in Watford and News International's Bemrose.

Investment starvation aside, the printers have also been caught by rapidly rising costs, notably raw materials and energy, and by exchange rate fluctuations which, the last year, have driven domestic customers to place their business abroad.

Printers in Germany and Spain have captured much of the high quality, long-run work such as mail order catalogues, while increasing amounts of more specialized work have gone to the Far East.

This has left BPCC's Sun Printers, for example, with mass circulation titles like The Sunday Times colour magazine and Radio

It remains to be seen whether the new spate of investment in computers and high technology presses, coupled with a willingness on the part of the unions to

General

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RESULTS FOR 1981

The audited accounts for the year to 31st December 1981 will be published

on 12th April 1982, but preliminary and unaudited figures for 1981, with

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actual figures for 1980, are as follows:-

Underwriting Results — General Business

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Minority Interests and Preference Dividends

Profit for the year available to Ordinary Shareholders

the rates of exchange ruling at the year end.

Shareholders' Long Term Profits ...

Taxation — U.K. and Overseas

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Less Interest on Loans

Profit before Taxation

Profit after Taxation

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Underwriting Result

NOTE

Aggression pays off

After two appalling years, house-builders look ready to make a modest recovery in the next 12 months as prices and volume pick up (Baron Phillips writes). Mortgage interest rates are under pressure and the historically high levels of 15 per cent are beginning

The stock market, perhaps in anticipation of this, is already warming to a more solid year and four building companies with a strong housing profile are hitting new highs — Barratt Developments, Bryant Holdings, John Laing and Newharthill.

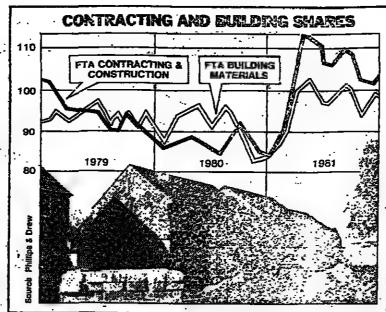
Barratt's aggressive marketing campaign has turned the group into a front runner during its current year. Analysts tip the group to build about 12,500 homes and produce profits of about £40m.

This optimism is founded on the belief that private sector housing starts are likely to rise to about able, if optimistic — will improve 130,000 compared with 117,000 last the profits of some smaller year and that in the second half of the year prices will regain the Groups like Bellway, Comben the year prices will regain the Groups like Bellway, Comben momentum they have lost over the and William Leech who all produce

Times colour magazine and Radio momentum they have lost over the Times as captive customers because their weekly deadlines make printing across the Channel impracticable.

It remains to be seen whether the new spate of investment in computers and high technology buyers towards new houses. Both groups have been increasing their output for that sector of the

But a significant fall in mort-



gage rates — and organizations like the House-Builders Federation believe an 11 per ceut mortgage rate is not unreason-

range of middle-market houses in the north east, for the secondand third-time buyer will benefit as the market is boosted. Mr David Kemsley, of brokers

Mr David Kemsley, of brokers Wise, Speke, forecasts a slightly more conservative £37m pretax profits performance for Barratt from an 11,500 production. On this basis Mr Kemsley says the group's earnings per share would be 30p with a p/e of about 8.5.

Mr Kemsley also expects Laing, Bellway and Leech to turn in greatly improved results. Bellway could see a big rise in pretax profits rising from last year's £1.8m to as much as £2.5m, with a similar pattern for William Leech. At Phillips & Drew, Mr Stephen Bloomfield, is more bullish. He

Bloomfield, is more bullish. He expects Barratt to produce a £40m pretax profit on the basis of the first 21 weeks of the group's year hitting record levels of both sales and activity.

The smaller Midlands-based company Wilson Connolly is forecast to produce about 1,000 houses a year mainly for the houses a year mainly for the lower end of the market. The company's main asset is six years supply of land.

United kingdom was only apper cent reflecting the in-creasing market pressures. An underwriting profit of £5.4m in the first nine months was quashed by losses in the final quarter with the had weather costing

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General Accident £6m; within

that total the important

motor account managed a £1.9m profit, compared to losses the year before of £3.2m.

Profits up £54m

Ultranar, which yesterday

Ultramar, which yesterday reported a pre-tax profits sedvance from £126.1m to £180.2m last year, has no plans for a rights issue, according to kir Arnold Lorbeer, the chairman. He said the company hoped to finance all of its expected £200m capital expenditure this year from loans and internal resources.

internal resources.

Speculation over a rights issue had prompted falls in the Ultramar share price; yesterday's amouncement helped to push it up. The

company reported that sales last year were up from £939.5m to £1,392.5m, with net profit at £90.7m against £74.1m.

Cash flow from operations amounted to £136.4m against

ULTRAMAR

Hat-trick gives gold lustre

Consolidated Gold Fields always Consolidated Gold Fields always has one or two rabbits to pull out of the hat. In the first six months to the end of December it was a combination of good manufacturing results from the United States and some fortunate currency and share dealings which stopped pretax profits of £67.5m falling further below last time's £70.7m further below last time's £70.7m (Michael Prest and Sally White

There was also the windfall of Newmont's sale of its Conoco holding to Du Pont. report).

But Newconex is unlikely to do as well in the second half, and the gold price which so depressed the South African results looks worse South African results looks worse than ever. Against that will be; a better season for Amey Roadstone, which suffered badly from the harsh weather, and full year dividends from Newmont and Driefontein Consolidated.

Weakness in RTZ's share price yesterday was no reflection of the City's pleasant surprise at a profit forecast of not less than £100m in 1931 after tax. RTZ's share price fell with bullion.

World recession and high interest rates have depressed RTZ along with the market in metals. The high was 633p, against yesterday's 422p. For those who see industrial business picking up soon there is a good reason for saying RTZ looks cheap. While analysts have been marking down its 1982 earnings per share to 50p, down from 58p from one leading down from 58p from one leading broker, there is probably not too much more bad news to come.

takeover.

Mr Neil Scott, chairman,

No dividend is being paid, but

Mr Scott noted that, had the profits attributable to Own-

ers Abroad and its subsidiary Owners Abroad Wholesale been available to the compa-

ny, for dividend purposes, a distribution of not less than 0.5p per share would have

"If bookings continue on the

present pattern, we would expect 1982 profits to comfortably exceed those of 1981", Mr Scott, said.

Upturn goes on

Recovery has continued at Campari International, the

leisurewear, camping and inflatable boats group. Pre-

tax profits were up from £285,980 to £428,410 and interim dividend doubled to

2.84p in the seven months to

Mr Henry Lipton, chair-

pressure in the United Kingdom. "Despite economic de-

been recommended.

CAMPARI INT

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UNITED STATES

Union leaders repr Union leaders representing 3,800 employees of New York's Daily lieus have reacted favourably a recommendation, that pay increases due on March I be put in trust to try to kee the newspaper in business for Geroge E. McDonnil. Pisident of the Allied Printing Trades Council, sid be union leaders agree. Undimously to recommend the mously to recommend

Their lawyer said the parises would still have to be paid by the newspaper, but the funds would inch be available to keep it aive.

Braniff International said in Dallas that its employees will receive 50 per ployees will receive 50 per ployees will receive be percent of their gross pay on Friday with the remainder to be deferred one week. A spokesman for the airline said the deferral, which was not a pay cut, would provide more than \$8m in additional cock flow during a cocksonally cash flow during a seasonally

weak period.

Trade. between the United States and the Soviet Union rose 37 per cent lest year to \$268,000m, seconding to an analysis published by the United States Commercial Office. cial Ofice.

MOROCCO

A group of Japanese and Spanish companies has re-ceived a 50,000m year order from Morocco for construction of a large sulphiric acid Estates, comfortably exceeded its directors' forecasts with pre-tax profits of £1.57m for year to December.

This is well above the figure of £1.25m warranted by the beard when brokers Le Mare Martin placed six million shares at 10p per share to finance the reverse takeover. fertilizer manufacturing plant in Morocco, Misul and Co, one of the group, has announced. Mitsul Mentified the other companies as Mitsul Engineering and Shipbuilding Company of Japan and Foment de (Omercio Exterior S A (Foccex), Spain's foreign trads corporation. The plant capable of producire 13,000 tons of sulphuric acid a day by 1985 will be built in El Jorf Lasfer, about \$2 miles south of Casablanca. said this was due to cautious forecasting and good trading in the last three months.

New vehicle registrations in Japan rose 50.8 per cent in February to 293,5% from 194,600 in January, but were down 2.4 per cent compared with 300,700 in February lets. year, the Japan Automobile Dealers Association aid. The total, including 2.00 imported vehicles, comprised 209,800 cars, 82,000 trucks and 1,700 buses.

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SOUTH AFRICA

A contract for an 8-kilometre overland coal conveyor valued at about £4m has been awarded to Cable Belt Conveyors, the South African subsidiary of Cable Belt of Camberley, Surrey. The contract has been awarded jointly by BP Coal South Africa and Rand Mines.

west germany

The balance of West Germany's trade exchanges with East Germany swung irto a DM 221m deficit in 1981 from 1980 surplus of DM 20m. showing the first such deficit for West Germany since 1965, according to the Bona Economics Ministry.

CAMADA

Canadian steel ingot output totalled 334,861 tons in the week ended February 27 — up 0.4 per cent from 333,470 tons the previous week. But it was 9.2 per cent down from 368,759 tons a year earlier. according to Canada in Ottawa.

CONSGOLD

Falling gold prices hit mines

Low gold prices depressed Low gold prices depressed half-year pretax of Consolidated Gold Fields, one of the country's leading mining companies, by £3.2m to £67,5m. But the company says it is sufficiently confident about long term prospects and return on capital employed to declare an unchanged interim dividend of 12.1p gross.

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The impact of weak and falling gold prices is clearly seen from the decline in the share of profit from Gold Fields of South Africa, in which Consolidated has a 48 per cent stake, from £22.8m to £13.8m. Dividends from direct holdings in gold mines fell by £6.8m to £8m.

Results were also adversely affected by lower profit from the construction materials division, of which Amey's operations suffered badly from the icy winter, particu-larly in December. Divisional operating profits fell from

for these setbacks by suc- profits to £104.9m in 1981. cessful dealing in its share portfolio and by translating some of its rights issue proceeds into dollars at \$2.40 to the pound, thereby gaining from high American interest rates and the stronger dollar.
Investment profits rose
sharply from ES.2m to
E14.1m.

The company also saw its American manufacturing interests, notably Newconex, which makes oil field equip-

ment, push up manufacturing | United Kingdom was only 4 profits by £7.8m to £19.5m. Dividends from Newmont, the American mining com-pany in which Consolidated has accumulated a 26 per cent holding, and the pro-ceeds of Newmont's sale of lts share in Conoco, the American oil company, added

E4.9m to profits.

Dealing profits meant that the tax charge rose from E22.5m to E26.9m, and earnings per share were 21.5p compared with 30.4p.

Solvent Holdings the

Seltrust Holdings, the Australian arm of Selection Trust, the British mining company acquired by British Petroleum, lost A\$15.8m (£9.3m) in 1981. It made a pretax profit of A\$4.1m in the previous year. No divi-dends have been declared for last year.

GENERAL ACCIDENT;

High and dry

General Accident has weathered the world insurance industry storms rather better than the other composites that have so far reported figures for last

Jean:
In contrast to the setbacks at Commercial Union and Royal Insurance, General Accident yesterday reported But Consolidated made up a 13.6 per cent rise in pretax Favourable exchange rates contributed almost £8m to

the total although this tapered off in the final quarter and helps to explain a dull last three months. The fourth quarter also saw a sharp decline in the underwriting results with losses rising from £5.9m to £19.7m to give almost double

underwriting losses for the year of £52.9m. Premium growth in the

WALL STREET

Mar Mar I

New York, March 3. — Stocks closed broadly and sharply lower as the debacle in the energy sector spread to the rest of the

Dow Jones Industrial average closed down 10.66 at a surge of selling in the already 815.16 points and was down more weak oil stocks, which could end than 13 earlier in the day. Declines up with lower earnings from the led advances by around 1,110 to decline in prices

430 and volume swelled to some 70 million shares from 63.80 million yesterday. Analysts said the market was still reeling from yesterday's news that BNOC had cut the price of North Sea Oil by \$4 a barrel, placing sharp downward pressure

on world oil prices. The North Sea price cut set off

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man, said that the improve ment achieved towards the end of the last financial year had continued, although margins were under extreme

capital expenditures of £148.8m. With capital spend ing set to rise to £200m and cash flow likely to be no better than last year, the directors acknowledge there will be a funding requirement this year. But Mr Lorbeer said that, while they had considered returning to shareholders, they had decided the timing was not appropriate.

it was too early to forecast 1982 results but he said it would be difficult to match the record results achieved in 1981. The directors have recommended a final divi-dend of 8p against 7p last

The profits increase came from higher oil and gas prices, improved profit margins and currency move ments.

OWNERS ABROAD

Just the ticket

Owners Abroad Group, the airline ticket wholesaler which gained a quote on the Unlisted Securities Market in January after a reverse tructuring announced in January.

"Despite economic de-pression, the popularity of our branded merchandise, together with increasing market penetration, is taking a larger share of available spending power", he added. "Group turnover for the second half so far is on target, but trading for the remainder of our current remainder of our current year could be stronly influ-enced by any changes in the economic pattern."

has taken the rare step of not requiring London Trust to make a bid for Cambrian and General Securities even though it holds 33.31 per cent of the equity. This is on condition that London Trust sells down its stake to le than 30 per cent by March 12. London Trust acquired the

The City Takeover Panel

BRAZIL

One of Brazil's state-owned regional power companies, Cia Energetica de Sao Paulo (CESP), is raising \$200m for eight years in the syndicated loan market, banking sources reported in London. The loan will help to finance hydroelectric projects.

NOTICE OF REDEMPTION

To the Holders of

Esso Overseas Finance N.V.

8% Guaranteed Debentures Due 1986

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the provisions of the Indenture dated as of March 15, 1971 providing for the above Debentures, said Debentures aggregating \$756.000 principal amount have been selected for redemption on March 15, 1983 through operation of the Sinking Fund at the redemption price of 100% of the principal amount thereof, together with accrued Outstanding Debentures of \$1,000 each of prefix "M" bearing the

distinctive numbers ending in any of the following two digits: 17" 38 59 70

Also Debentures of \$1,000 each of prefix "M" hearing the following serial numbers:

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Payment will be made upon presentation and surrender of the above Debentures with coupons du-March 15, 1983 and subsequent coupons attached at the main offices of any of the following: Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York, 30 West Broadway, New York, New York 10015; Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York in Brussele, Franklurt am Main, London, Paris and Zurich: Credito Romagnolo S.p.A. in Milan and Rome; Bank Mees & Hope N.V. in Amsterdam: and Kreditethank S.A. Luxembourgeoise in Luxembourg. Coupons due March 15, 1932 should be detached and collected in the usual manner. On and after March 15, 1982 interest shall cease to accrue on the Debentures selected for

ESSO OVERSEAS FINANCE N.V.

Dated: February 11, 1982

NOTICE

The following Debentures previously called for redemption have not as yet been presented for payment: 14503

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In arriving at the profit for the year, overseas revenue has been translated at

Analysis by Territory of General Business Premium Income and

Final Dividend for the year ended 31st December 1981

The Directors have decided to recommend to the Shareholders at the Annual General Meeting to be held on 5th May 1982, the payment of a final dividend on the Ordinary Shares of 8.75 per share making a total distribution for the year of 16.25p per share.

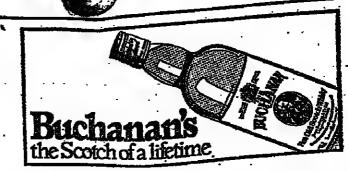
The dividend will be payable on or after 1st July 1982, to Shareholders on the register on 1st June 1982.

General Accident Fire & Life Assurance Corporation Ltd World Headquarters. General Buildings, Perth, Scotland.

Stock Exchange Prices

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Cardiff and York provide tale of two sackings

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less than a month after he was sacked by Newport County. Mr Ashurst has been given a two year contract. He takes over from the chief coach, Graham Williams, who has been in charge of the side since November.

Cardiff are third from bottom of the second division, having gained only one point in their last eight league games. Mr Ashurst said after his appointment: "My immediate task is to keep them in the second division. We face a tough ten weeks to the end of the season with many matches away from home. I have to get among the players and give them confidence."

Mr Ashurst guided Newport to Mr Randall's contract until the end of the season as coach will be honoured. He joined York as a player for £8,000 from Mansfield in 1977. Before that he was with Bury, Chesterfield and Notts County and scored nearly 200 goals in his league career. goals in his league career.

Crystal Palace are continuing to cut their wage bill. They have released Elwiss, Hughes and Leahy, and have now cut their staff from 32 to 24 in a few weeks. Elwiss, a £200,000 buy from Preston North End four years ago has been forced out of the game through injury. He played only 20 games for Palace.

Ron Noades, the Palace chairman, said: "We have slashed £2,200 a week off our wage bill. We will save in May, June and July, when we have no income. This will ensure our survival for next season."

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Mr Ashurst guided Newport to promotion, their first for 18 years; they won the Welsh Cup under his guidance and also reached the quarter finals of the European Cup Winners' Cup. But he was sacked after ludifferent form this season and replaced by Colin Addison, who had been dismissed by Derby. Mr Williams and the former manager, Richie Morgan, who has been with the club for 17 years, have been sacked by Cardiff.

York City also sacked their acting manager yesterday and the club hope to make an announcement soon about a successor.

Kevin Randall was appointed manager on December 8 after the dismissal of Barry Lyons, who is now York's youth team manager,

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senior appearance for nearly two years, at Newcastle on Saturday, He is standing by because of in-juries to first team players and

Cup stalom here today with a time of 1min 29.55sec. Maria Rosa Quario, of Italy, was second in 1min 29.85. Tamara McKinney, of United States, took third place with a time of 1min 29.85sec. Christin Cooper (US) lost her right ski with seven of the 57 gates still to negotiate but still managed to finish in fourth place. However, she was judged to have straddled the gate at which she lost the ski and was disqualified.

—Reuter.

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Liverpool left with dissatisfied

feeling By Norman Fox

CSKA Sofia 0

Almost a year to the day after being ravaged 5—1 by Liverpool at Antield CSKA Soda, the Bulst Anfield CSKA Soila, the Bulgarian champions, returned last night and at the same quarter-final stage of the European Cup, proved much more resolute.

Marking tightly and defending mapplogetically. Soila frustrated a Liverpool team rarely endangered yet fundly, and rightly, distribut. The task the holders have left themselves in Soila in the second leg is comfortably within their resources but not the one they expected, especially one they expected, especiafter their opening offensive. The year since Solia last visited Antièld had seen Liverpool change several faces, but the Bulgarians were not spared the one they probably most feared. Souness, who had driven three of the five past them last season, was still there, and now captain. But the player who immediately threatened them with enother rout was one of the comparative newcomers, the precocious Whesen

In the end Eintracht failed on several counts, not least in attack where they offered Clemence where they offered Clemente barely a moment's anxiety. They had promised to chaperone Hoddle and Ardiles throughout the evening's entertainment. Yet these two were allowed a greater freedom than they enjoy in most League matches. Hoddle wallowed in it. In the second minute he found Archibald's fair head with a searching bell. The young Scot nodded down and Hazard gave the Germans a fright before jurtens cleared with his legs. This Cup Winners' Cup quarterfinal was left teetering on a kuife
edge last night. A two-goal victory is neither an unbeamble lead
nor an impossible obstacle in
European competition. But given
Tottenham's thoroughly professional approach away from home
—they have lost only once this
season away from White Hart
Lane—they should survive the
tempest in Frankfurt a fortnight
hence.

Indeed, before last night's first
leg Tottenham confidently claimed

Two minutes later German nerves were made still more taut when the magestic Hoddle nerves were made still more taut when the magestic Hoddle swivelled to strike a delicious bell down the flank to Perryman, his cross picked out Archibald, who seemed sure to score, but his low shot struck the entangled legs of goalkeeper and defender and looped up over the bar.

Tottenham's build-up was commendably busy and patient, bur mendably busy and patient, bur mendably busy and patient, but an incisive break by Eintracht in the 16th minute was a sharp warding against any complacency in Tottenham's fluent back four. For the most part, Eintracht confidently placed their trust in defeating defence and the sort of piercing, burtful tackles which

give Spurs easy ride

return leg.

Thankfully, the much-heralded Pezzey, Eintracht's captain and sweeper, refrained from such crudity. He looked a player who will glow in the Spanish sun for his native Austria this World Cup swomer. Here, though, on this biting blustery evening, he was very much in Hoddle's floodlit shadow. Perryman's foresight, however, did once deny him a possible goal in the first half.

Spurs had to wait until the 57th minute for theirs. Ardiles put Hazard into full swing and when his cross came back to the little Argentine he shot meaningfully against a defender. The ball gathered such momentum that when Miller following up rolley. gathered such momentum that when Miller, following up, volleyed it the ball fairly buzzed through the air into the ner. Archibaid, who, along with the goalkeeper Jurtens, had just been booked, booted the rebounding ball high into the air with vengeful delight.

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Narey's goal is worthy of Uefa trophy

By Iain Mackenzie

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Indeed, before last night's first leg Tottenham confidently claimed that even no lead at all would not cause them any great distress. Eintracht's outlook was predictably negative, but disappointingly crude (and unsportsmanlike) for anyone who remembers that memorable football match with Real Madrid in 1950.

Yet through West German eyes it must have been seen as justified until nine minutes from time. Then the minutes from time. Then the minutes from time, whose lack of European experience had been evident, took a pass from Galvin, side-stepped Lorant and whipped his shot past Jurtens in goal,

Eintracht

Dundee United took another step towards keeping the Uefa Cup in Britain with a two-goal victory at Tannadice Park last right which could and should have been so much more decisive. It will be a lot harder in Nis; but not too hard, one feels, for United who struck wood last night as often as they did the net.

Radnicki Nis 0

United, with their injury prob-lems left behind, took the game to Radnicki from the start. There was a shot from Dodds and one from Sturrock as the tangerine shirts pushed down on Milen-

score they wanted so hadly.

Milenkovic was solid in goal.

Twice he held long range shots
close to the chest and twice the
ball was punched away cleanly
as United surged forward. Holt
had one shot which went wide
and then with 20 minutes gone
Narey cracked the ball inches
past the Yugoslav's left-hand
post.

A minute later Bannon should have pur the Scots ahead. In spite of anguished protests from spite of anguished protests from Radnicki, the referee gave United an indirect free kick almost on the penalty spot after a piece of obstruction. There were eleven blue and white-jerseyed men almost on their own goad-line but when the ball was tapped to Bannon he heaved it yards over the crossbar.

end was when the ball reached. Beganovic who showed almost a Stanley Marthews touch as be weaved through the Scottish defence. Fortunately for United on those few occasions there was no fluish to the build-up. The Yugoslav tied himself up as Matthews never did and when he managed to push the ball over there was no one there to trouble McApine. So it remained stalemate with So it remained stalemate with the Dundee side pushing, prod-ding, pressing without result.

Then in two minutes Dundee United took the steps they wanted towards the semi-finals. The goals could not have come at a better stage in the game: in the 43rd minute Narey hit the ball as only he can, it looked a goal all the way, one of those worthy of a trophy and not just a match.

position

Radnichi might have been ex-pected to put in more effort in the second balf, looking for the "away" goal which can mean so much They brought Aleksic on for Radosavijeric moments after Milde went off for Payne. Radosavijeric replaced Bergono-vic as the Yugoslavs grew more desperate.

Refered: J Redelfs (West Germany)



So near yet so far : Rush forges a way towards the CSKA goal.

But the player who immediately threatened them with another rout was one of the comparative newcomers, the precotous whereas last year it seemed almost as if every Liverpool attack was destined for success, now their insistent pounding invariably found a Bulgarian foot, head or hand in the way. The

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longer they were denied, the greater the danger of a trouble-some journey to Bulgaria in a second until, 20 minutes into the second, they were beaten. Rush had been blocked by Dinko Dimitrov and Whelan's header been torned away before Lee stipped a short pass to Whelan who had just begun to move into the penalty area. Whelan controlled the ball and shot from where he was. The ball went between the legs of defenders and by the time Velinov saw it there was no time stop the ball going into the

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Aston Villa have surprised us all. Here in the open saucer of a stadium in Sufferopol they held the champions of the Sovier Union, a side studded with seven international players, and earned for themselves a golden opportunity of reaching the last four in the European Cup. Their season that had seemed so empty it now suddenly full of the unlikeliest of possibilities. If the experienced Dynamo Kiev proved to be a deep disappointment Villa showed a composure, a discribine, and a maturity that defied their lnextoperience. They were after all, competing for the third time it possible. Supposition, and the competition, kiev for the third time it possible was pushed by Chanov en to a possible for the third time it possible. It was more to the first half with a powerful 20-yard drive, but the grante for the competition, kiev for the third time it provided Milla with their boar that the competition, kiev for the third time it provided Milla with their boar that the competition of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for when the condition of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for when the condition of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for the condition of the springer for most of a match tat began in the warmth of the springer for most of a match tat began to the springer for the springer for the springer for the spring

noon and ended in the cold of the evening.

After a morning test, it was decided that Evans, with a injured shoulder, was not fit enough to carry the burda of containing Blokinin. Bremm was given that task and he sood discovered how onerous it cold be. Within five minutes, caust on the wrong side, he watche Blokhin run on and beat Rimm only for the soft ball to boune like a blantmange off a post. blancmange off a post.

a blancmange off a post.

The early break strateed the rost away from Kley, peforming in their first competitive match of the year, and for a moment they threatened, as; aways through their leading scorer, Elokhon, "Take him along scorer, Elokhon, "Take him along and they are a very ordinary outfile,"

Tony Barton, Villay caretaker manager commented fater and no one could arme with that brief

Foundation hid for building nev Villa

From Stuart Jones Simferopol, March 3

Dynamo Kiev ...

Aston Villa

synopsis.

Unselfish does not seem to appear to be in his vocabulary.

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The ecceptricities of an almost static West German referee marred a tie that rarely flowed. One extraordinary idecision to award Klev a dynar when Rimmer caught the ball feet, over the line led to an incomfortable goalled to an uncomfortable goal-line scramble 10 minutes from the end, but noments later, he rightly distilled a goal tapped in by Yevnschenko, the second of Kiev's substitutes.

of Kiev's mostitutes.

The refere also felt prompted to warn the seated Mr Barton for some ofer-enthusiastic commens that he clearly interpreted as a criticism. Yet Mr Barton's youngsters' had already spoken for him, it two weeks, they could, and low should, make an even louder contribution in the more comprisable confines of their own home at Villa Park.

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Bayern's shadow looms over Europe The chances of a new name being instituted on the European Cup receded last night when past winners, Bayern Munich of West Germany, moved menacingly to three key men including their home. A crown of 16,000 in Hambu

winners, Bayern Munich of West Germany, inboyed menacingly towards the semi-finals. Bayern, winners in 1974-76, saumered through their quarter-final firstleg in the minner to which their fans have become accustomed, winning 2—1 against Universitates Craiova in Romania.

The goals came from the international pair, Paul Breitner and Karl-Heins Rummenigge, in the opening 20 niautes.

Assuming Livergool and Aston

Assuming Livergool and Aston Villa can also reach the last four.

Red Star Belgrade look likey to complete the semi-final line-up, The injuryhit Yugoslavs, missing three ker-men including their midfield general, Vladimir Petro-vic, went down 2—1 to the Belgian champions, Anderlecht, but will feel confident of overturning that deficit in the return.

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A freak goal from the Spanishborn midfielder, Juan Lozano, earned Anderlecht's early lead, through Willy Geurts, was cancelled out early in the second half when Red Star equalized with a billight effort from Rocke. a brilliant effort from Bosko Durovski, who burst through the

A crow Volkspark Stadium saw Basnup Memering and Heesen take SV Memering and Heesen take SV in the Hamburg to a 3-2 win over the k four Swiss club, Neuchatel Kamar in Helling the Eule Cup quarter-finals. For the Swiss teim.

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bolders. Dynamo Tonisi, received in rea hostic reception in Poland con f.
when they met Legia Warsaw, in Over
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minute winner was met by ek and
jeers, loos and whistles. SNOOKER

Colonial

A kick that Wales splash through earns to third win in a row Vale victory

Wales 11

running when they beat Bristol by two tries and a penalty goal to nil in the British Polytechnics final at Sunbury, yesterday. In the circumstances Wales scored two good tries and Angel performed a minor miracle by landing a penalty but it is unlikely that the rugby, such as it was, will long remain in the memory. How could it be otherwise when gale force winds had ushered in showers of torrential rain ed in showers of torrential fain which nearly flooded the ground and transformed the London Irish pitch into something like a bog. Swimming around in speculative circles, Wales and Bristol could only have felt frustration as they tried to play rugby in what was more an aquatic event.

Wales carried off the Rugby

World Cup for the third year

Bristol 8

what was more an aquatic event.

Taking the last fence together is fast becoming something of a tradition for these two, though to secure a place in their fourth successive final Bristol qualified as losing semi-finalists. It was to have been a great day for North Staffordshire, Bristol's conquerors at the penultimate hurdle, but the examiners and a student 'day of action' had combined to ravage their XV and they had to withdraw. To have picked up the merest scent of victory Bristol needed to score half a dozen points at least before turning to face the buffeting and trickery of a cold wind. In those early stages it dominated events and as Bristol and Wales wrestled with their common problem, my neighbour pondered the question whether the tide was

with three attempts at goal, and Yeardle, pouncing on a roor clearance, had made the running for a try wide out on the left by Harris. Angel then sent an improbable penalty skidding over the bar from 30 metres, and in injury-time a slanting run by Ham from a ruck 10 metres out led to a try by Yeandle. WALES POLYTECHNIC: C. Wohb: I. Jones J. Harris, G. Williams A. Yegndle, R. Angel, S. Ham, D. Gilson, G. Organ, S. Peters, P. Ewans (cop. J. James, T. Slaw, A. Jones, M. Gartwright, C. P. Siaw, A. Jones, M. Santwright, C. P. Siaw, A. Jones, M. Gartwright, C. P. Siaw, A. Jones, M. Santwright, C. P. Siaw, M. Santwright, C. P. Siaw, A. Jones, M. Santwright, C. P. Siaw, M. Santwright, C. P. Siaw, M. Santwright, C. P. Siaw, M. Santwright, C. P. Santwright

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Referee L Prideaux (North Midlands), Nigel Rees, the London Welsh fly half who has been out of the side with a back injury since September, makes his comeback in Saturday morning's match against Cardiff at Old Deer Park. against Cardiff at Old Deer Park.

Rees is one of three players
returning after lengthy absences
through lenjury as the Exiles
make four changes to the team
beaten by Moscley in last weekend's John Player Cup match.
The centre, Jim Williams, who
Injured a shoulder on New Year's
Day, takes over from Rob Best
and the lock forward, Chris Howcroft, who broke a bone in his
hand on Boxing Day, displaces
Richard Thomas.

Nigel Rees ends his long spell of the sidelines at the expense of Richard Owen, while John Jurley comes in on the wing ☐ Nigel Roberts, who led Oxford against Cambridge in the 100th university match at Twickenham last December, will miss next season's match. Roberts has fail-ed to meet academic requirements at Jesus College.

Richard Thomas.

By Alan Gibson

Bath 12 Ebbw Vale 14

There have not been many moments of glory for Ebbw Vale this season, with much bother about injuries, players moving away, players growing older. They arrived late at Bath, not because of fog, but one of the wobbles, now traditional in the West, of the Severa Bridge. But there was nothing wobbly about their play and they won by a goal and two tries to three tries. It was a windy and sometimes wet evening, and the Vale had the fluctuating wind mostly at their backs. They scored first a try by Denmead on the left after a searching long kick by Stephenson. Bath drew level after a half hour, with a try by Jones just when it looked as though Bath might be sorting themselves.

Just when it looked as though Bath might be sorting themselves out, Bow made an interception in his own half, and ran fast and heartly for the try. Almost at half-time, Stuart Lewis scored an excellent try on the left, which Bow converted. Bath, less nimble in the same conditions, burket in the soggy conditions, bucked up in the second half, and after 10 minutes Ralston scored a good try.

Several times more Bath were close to the line, but kept fumbling their passes, and only in the last minute did a stout defence wield.

last minute did a stout defence vield. All credit to the vigour with which their opponents, hardly more than a scratch side, held out.

The last try, an admirable one, was scored by Martin and he could have made the match a draw with the last kick, but topned it.

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Mrs Gilks back in favour with England's selectors By Richard Eaton

BADMINTON

Englands team announced yesterday for the European championships in Bublingen. West Germany, on April 11 to 17, looks strong enough both to regain the European title and to erase the bitterness of a particularly virulent quarrel concerning Gillian Gilks.

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Just before the previous European malches two years ago. Mrs Gilks pulled, out of the team at the last moment because of disagreemen over travelling arrangements. England lost the title and the row precipitated the end for the former world No. 1 as a top class singlet player. Now her vast experience has been reintegrated into the team, harnessed vicely with two promising young doubles players, Martin Dew and Gill Clark.

This means the team is strong both in talent and in spirit. Karen Chapman and Barbara Sutton, both past national doubles champions, have been omitted to accommodate Mrs Gilks; her present attitude provides a remarkable change from the old animosity. On Friday at Gateshead, she admitted she was enjoying playing for Encland again.

Bygones are clearly bygones after another row of two years ago, it was then that the two 20-year-olds Sreve Baddeley and Nick Yates were picked for their first European championships, and one or two established players who were omitted did not like it not said so. This time the youngsters are key members of the team and the controversial selection has been proved correct beyond all doubt.

Encland have a fine chance of winning all three doubles titles and provess in doubles should make England favourites to win back the team title they regained from Denmark at Preston in 1978 and lost again on the ill-fated trip to

the Netherlands in 1980. England's traditional strength in this area is probably stronger than usual is probably stronger than usual with the interesting new partnership of Mike Tredgett and Dew to add to the world championship pairing of Nora-Perry and Jane Webster, and Mrs Gilks, also battling for a team place. This time they expect no last-minute mishaps. Haps, SINGLES: S Baddeley (Sus-MEN'S SINGLES: S Baddeley (Sus-MEN'S INCLES: S Baddeley (Sus-Men's I Ken't, K July

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Lagland won the series against
Japan, sponsored by Crest Htels. England won the series against Japan, sponsored by Crest Htels, on Tuesday when they took a 4—1 winning lead at Aston Villa Sports Centre to go 3—0 up in the five-match tournament.

Mrs. Perry and Miss Webster, England's celebrated world doubles champtions, clinched victory with a 15-4, 13—0 win over two 19-year-olds, Kimiko Kitada and Kimiko Ginnal.

There were singles wins for Kitada and Kimiko Ginnal.

There were singles wins for England's number 1 Ray Stevens and Karen Bridge, who continued her recent fine form which enabled her to beat Miss Webster, the national champion, in the Essex Open at the weekend. The only hiccup on the way to victory was a surprise defeat for England's other national champion Steve Baddeley, who was unusually below par in a 9-13, 12-15 defeat to the Japanese national champion, Kinji Zeniya.

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Thorburn and Taylor in semi-finals

David Taylor and Cliff Thor-land keep burns moved into the semi-final in it stages; of the £38,600 Yamahamad on a fitter of the £38,600 Yamahamad on a fitter on Tuesday night. Taylor, finalist. Sys. in this event last year, clinched age ach half of the fitter of the f

Final moves to Kenya

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Two for Molyneux

Mrs Irene Molyneux (Che well), playing on her home green won two titles in the Ergil Women's Indoor Bowling Associ-tions of the Ergil

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Prime Minister warns of grave implications

The unofficial England cricket tour of South Africa seemed set to Continue last night despite a strong appeal from cricket strong appeal from cricket amborities in this country to the 12 Players to return home and a tougher statement from Margaret. That ther warning of the inter-

A letter from the Test and County Cricket Board delivered to the team members after they had started their first match wanted their they could jeopardise the India and Pakistan tours to England this summer, therby affecting county finances and the possible furnire livelihood of their fellow crickhers, The appeal was

possible furire livelihood of their fellow crickdiers. The appeal was made as garil Gavaskar, the India captain; reinforced warnings that India would cancel its tour if any in the players were included in affect side.

Although whe leader, which spoke of the "very strong reaction in England and other countries" at the matches will and it the aready considerable pressure on the players, they have tasted their determination to centinue with the series

the tour has got the tour has got the players can't corracts, so their is the tour being child reporters. Spot Commons, Mrs wen further yesterday ing he tour than she Tudday, when her ersodally to condemn

GOLF

Improving

set sights

on victory

From Mitchell Platts

Orlando, Wednesday

Falco

The text of the TCCB letter

the proper make you aware of the very strong reaction in England and other countries to the proposed participation by you and other English cricketers in international calibre matches in South Africa.

Africa.
"In particular, the India and Pakistan tours to the United Kingdom this summer could clearly be in danger if the proposed matches takes place, thus seriously affecting county finances and the possible future livelihood of fellow cricketers.

deeply regret that the Govern-ment were not given the opportunity to discuss the matter

this will be damaging to every-body." If the players continue to ignore the appeal from the TCCB, their case will be discussed by a full board meeting next Tuesday when action, if any, will be decided. Perhaps significantly, yesterday's letter did not repeat the warning made last August that players. Test careers could be in jeopardy if they floured TCCB policy by appearing for representative teams in South

implications, it seems likely that some decision will be taken. The TCCB, however, had its fingers builty burned four years ago during the Kerry Packer episode when it tried to ban some players from Test and county cricket.

As a result of this a resolution put forward, yesterday by Northamptonshire which in effect proposes both the English and South African players from Test and county cricket seems unlikely to succeed. Mattrice Fenner, secretary of Kent CC, commented: "It would appear at first sight to be an extreme step in view of the likely legal difficulties involving a player's livelihood," and Yorkshir's secretary, Joe Lister, said: "on the face of it, the resolution seems to drastic, but I think it is something that should be gone into much more deeply. It was also no clearer yesterday who would be the 13th player to join the side. Derek Randall, tipped as a possible recruit and presently playing in Australia, said be knew of no offer and was contracted to play for North Perth until April 7. After his commitments ended in Australia he would return to Nottinghamshire. As a result of this a resolution

The Australian Government have expressed regret over the visit by the English cricketers to South Africa because of the Government's Gleneagles Agreement, a foreign affairs spokes-

man in Canberra said.

Every Australian first class cricketer has been warned of the probable consequences of playing cricket in South Africa. In A letter from the Australian Cricket Board last Angust each player was told that "participation on South Africa may place as sick your eligibility to play for

the South African visit by an unofficial team, but would not comment on it.

The former England Captain, Tony Greig, who himself may be the thirteenth player to join the tour party, said in Sydney today that many top Australians might be induced to play in South Africa.



Kuiper makes English XI struggle

Aniss and Willey (23) put on 49 for the fourth wicket and them Knott shared useful stands with Emburey and Lever before Gooth declared shortly after tea. The under-25 side got off to a quick start, with Seeff hitting 18 off 23 balls including three fours, before be edged Taylor to Knott.

Lendl drops

Wimbledon

out of

FALL OF WICKETS: 1—53, 2—54, 3 —110, 6—111, 6—126, 7—152.

BOWLING: Radford, 9—1—27— 9,15.2—5—22—1; van 0—3—19—1; Anker, 21—10-ulper, 8—1—22—5; Allan, 3—0—

BOXING

Magri's way to escape from tight corner

By Srikumar Sen Boxing Correspondent

When Charlis Magri went down in the ninth round from a little left hook from a fresh Mexican 20-year-old from Los Angeles, one Cipriano Arreola, Terry Lawless, Magri's manager, did not know whether his heart was in his boots or in is hat. It was only when the final bell went and Magri was awarded the bout 98% to 96% that Mr Lawless got his breath back. But from today he has a lot of heart searching to do.

Where does his one time world beater go from here? Mr Lawless said after the bont on Tuesday night at the Albert Hall that Magri needed two more contests before he was put in with the world flyweight champion, Anto-nio Avelar, of Mexico, which rules out the May 4 Wembley title bout with Avelar.

But it is easier said than done But it is easier said than done to find a man who is not going to give Magri's chin a smart tap and put him on the floor, again. Unless, of course, they go back to Tijuana to find one of those horizontal Mexicans. There is no one in Europe. Magri has flattened them all and the British enes are best avoided. Magri is in a corner. It will take all the ingenuity of Mickey Duff, the matchmaker, to get him out of it.

matchmaker, to get him out of it.

There is only one way out.

After a decent interval he showed form with the world champion, if he must. It would be folly to leave the Stepuey boxer on a hiding to nothing for much longer. He is not going to improve. There seems no point in looking for the old Magri. He is the old Magri. He is the old Magri. And if he is given the chance to challenge Avelar, who knows he might just pull off one of those cup tie giant-killing acts.

acts.

The Arreola brothers, Cipriano and Adriano, who outclassed the British bantamweight champion, John Feeney, of Hartlepool, left us with one important lesson: never underestimate someone who has reached the national Golden Gloves finals, which the brothers did. Only a chauvinist cynic could have expected the 19 and 20-year-olds to be down-and-out Mexicans looking for a fast buck. I have not seen such refreshing faces in the British ring for a long time; immaculately turned out they were.

While things are looking dark

While things are looking dark at one end of the scale for Mr. Lawless it is brighter at the other end for him. He launched his heavyweight, if that is what one does to beavyweights, yesterday. He is Frank Eruno. Mr Lawless believes that Bruno

Mr Lawies beneves that it is not be is potentially the greatest heavy-weight ever in Britain. Bruno wanted to turn professional two years ago but was rejected by the Roard because he was short-sig-hard. But Mr Lawless found two doctors who could cure shortsightedness — one lived in the Soviet Union, the other in Colombia. Bruno went to Colombia where he was operated on successfully by Mr Jose Barraquer. He received his licence and now he faces a Mexican heavy-weight on St Patrick's day.

Atlantic City, March 3.—Roger Stafford, the United States wehterweight, knocked out David Madrid, of Mexico, in the first round of their 10-round bout here yesterday. Stafford, ranked third by the World Boxing Association (WBA), now has a career record of 19 victories, two defeats and a draw.

The result gives him the right to challenge the unified world welterweight champion, Sugar Ray Leonard. The bout will take place in May at a venue yet to be a rranged. Stafford's last contest was a points victory over Jose "Pipino" Cuevas three mouths ago.—Agence France-Presse.

'Mr Leicester' calls it a Day after years on top

EROUND-UP

Jerry Day, secretary of the John Player Cup holders, Leicester, is to resign his post at the end of this season after 17 years' service. He has threatened to do so several times in the last

Yesterday he said: "I feel I need a rest from the demands of the job. The club is on the right

with the club since 1945, when he played in the first game at Welford Road after the war. When his playing career, at lock or flank forward, ended he soon became involved in the administrative side of Leicester's affairs. He guided the club through some difficult days in the early 1970s to the eminence which they have enjoyed over the last four

leading Leicester light, "Chalkie" White, the coach, as a "vision ary". Mr Day's influence was paramount when the club began a youth XV in 1972, a team which has developed Paul Dodge, the present England centre. "His dry sense of humour concealed true affection for the Leicester club and a sincere concern for the state of the game conceased that and a sincere concern for the state of the game in Engand. Happily he will continue on the club's selection committee and as a vice-president. Leicester's former captain and England's hooker, said yesterday: "If they took down the goalposts they wouldn't be missed as much as Jerry". An apt comment.

SCORES AND RESULTS

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TODAY'S FIXTURES

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IN BRIEF

CCPR happy Pakistan leave out eight

Lahore, Mar 3 — Eight of the 10 Pakistan players who have refused to play under the captaincy of Javed Miandad have been omitted from a provisional team announced for the first test match against Sri Laoka, starting in Karachi on Friday.

match against Sri Lanka, starting in Karachi on Friday.

Ejaz Butt, chairman of the Pakistan cricket selectors, said negotiations with the players were continuing. "Doors have not been closed", he said. The players omitted are: Majid Khan, Zaheer Abbas, Imran Khan, Sarfraz Nawaz, Mohsin Khan, Sarfraz Nawaz, Mohsin Khan, Mudassar Nazar, Sikandar Bakht and Wasim Bari.

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Britons miss

Copenhagen

The British paur skating champions, Susan Garland and lan Jenkins, have withdrawn from the world championships in Copenhagen next week, John

Copenhagen next week, John Hennessy writes.

Miss Garland suffered a leg injury during training last week and has been told to rest for 10 days. The British pair were sixth in the European championships at Lyons recently.

The holders of the world title, Irina Vorobieva and Igor Lisovski, of the Soviet Union, may also have to withdraw. They were not among the team of Russians who flew from Moscow to Copenhagen yesterday. Lisovski was injured in training recently.

injured in training recently, which may have contributed towards their finishing only third in Lyons.

Young Britons take challenge

Dr Jonathan Paimer's rout of the foreign opposition in last year's Mariboro British Formula Three championship has inspired young Britons taking up the challenge of the 1982 Mariboro series, which starts at Silverstone of Sunday.

Dave Scott, the Sussex driver, at the age of 19 top 1981 Grovewood award winner and already a contracted Lotus Formula One test driver, Martin Brundle of Norwich, and James Weaver of Harlow, are all tunning with strongly competitive teams this, year in their attempts to step up into grand prix racing, a move encouraged by the Mariboro championship with Formula One test drive prizes for the first three at the end of season.

with agreement

On behalf of the governing bodies of sport who have developed partnerships with the tobacco industry, the Central Council of Physical Recreation have welcomed the agreement reached between the industry and the Government to sustain sponsorship of certain sporting activities, at least until the end of 1985.

general secretary, said: "We are delighted with this announcement as it clears away the uncertainties of the last few months and will allow those bodies who wish to take advantage of support from the tobacco industry to plan ahead for the improvement of sports opportunities and events throughout the UK. We trust that British sport will now be allowed to get on with the administration of its own affairs in partnership with industrial concerns who have an interest in the welfare of British sport."

Toivonen leads

Lisbon, March 3.—Henry Toi-vonen, in an Opel Ascona, was in the lead in the Portuguese rally after the first part of the first leg, The Finn won the first three of the eight special stages on Today's rouns in the Serra de

Looking ahead

Young skiers from 22 countries will take part in the world junior Alpine skiing championships here from tomorrow until Sunday. Organizers hope the championships will enhance nearby Nice's chance of staging both the winter and summer Olympics in 1922. — Agence France-Presse. Young skiers from 22 c

Alfons de Wolf, of Belgium, today won the Cagliari-Sassari race, outsprinting a group of eight cyclists to the finish line, De Wolf won the 216-kilometre race in Shy 47 min 3 sec. De Wolf won the 216-kilometric race in Shr 42 min 3 sec.
LEADING PLACING: 1, A de Wolf (Beiglum), 8 tr 42 min 3 sec; 2, P Bitroletto; 3, G Mantovent; 4, S Millani; 6, S Contino; 6, P Ghiraudo; 7, S Fraccasto; 8, V Penizas; 9, E Kulper (Netherlands), el same time; 10, A van Houvelinger (Netherlands), 6:42:59. — AP.

Richard Callan, of Leicester, has withdrawn from Britain's 3,000 metres at the European indoor athletics championships in Milan this weekend because of a leg injury leaving Ken Newton, of Sheffield to represent Britain.

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Belle Robertson Yesterday handed in a 70 agains he par of 72 at Santa Ponsa, Biorca, to take the lead at the half-way stage of the qualifying ound for the Spanish ladies charlonship. Lewine Mair writes.

The 1981 British campion's score further payed the way for score further paved the way for Britain to finish the ay four shots out in front in the Nations Cup, an international ten event ran within the qualifyin round. Wilma Aitken and Janes culaby, who were playing we Mrs. Robertson had, respective, 2.74

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With each nation aliced to enter two teams of the Mary McKenna, Claire Hourik, and Vicki Thomas joined for to return the 224 tally good sough to have them tying secon with France.

Categorically squared in a square carried in the one-time idol of the Arms Park crown the managing director of Cardiff and now the m

fellow cricketers.

If it is thought practicable for you to do so, we urge you to reconsider your positions in

cations of this tour could affect the financial structure of cricket in this country and jeopardize the future of multi-racial international cricket it could also have implications for international sport generally.

She said that although it was described at a "private tour" the composition of the party and the series of Test matches could only be seen as a major sporting link with South Africa. She added: "I deeply regret that the Govern-

proval came from Lord Carring-lon, the foreign secretary, who and in Nairobi that the tour was regrettable and "the results of this will be damaging to every-

But as this is at the centre of

British underdogs with tails up against Italian triumvirate

The fuss about playing games with South Africans has some odd repercussions. A grand prix exception because in that period tournament in Copenhagen was be has played an comfoor competitors. So, a former Australian Davis Cup player, Ross Case of Queensland, is filling in a spare week by practising here with the British team, who play. Italy in a first-round tie on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Another Australian Davis Cup player, Paul McNamee, who happened to be in London having treatment on his back, practised with the British players a formight ago on the indoor shale courts at Wimbledon Last week, the McNamee can manager said today. The sun is going treatment on his back, practised to be quite tricky because at 10.30 if so directly above the courts at Wimbledon Last week, the manager said today. The From Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent, Rome, March 3. Severiano Billesteros and Nicholas Falo leid and impressive Europen Jouringent into action in the \$500,000 Bay Hill classic white strts on the Bay Hill club an lodge course here tomorrow. isady Lyle, Mark James, Sam Totrance, Howard Clark, Pete Ossterhuis, Bernhard Lange, of West Germany; and Manuel inelo, of Spain, are also in the field. Ballesteros who won the Greater Greebort Open in 1978 and the US Wasters two years later, and Falo, who has made six successivhal way cuts since joining this year's tour in Phoenix in Janary; have become as familiar a this circuit as Costerhuis; bt for the other six this rournamet child represent only a mild intagon with the tour.

formight ago on the indoor shale courts at Wimbledon. Last week, in Monte Carlo, they had an even manager said today. The Monte Carlo, they had an even distinguished sparring partner: Bjorn Borg.

The British Davis Cap team inspire respect these days. They have come to Rome with their morals high and two weeks of solid preparation behind them.

second division, winning promotion at the first attempt.

Other football clubs noted the success of Fulham; Carlisle United and Cardiff City applied for entry. With undisguised delight the Rugby League Council welcomed the new arrivals at the summer annual meeting, and the game achieved new horizons and new status. However, the stories and fortunes of the two clubs differ widely.

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Carlisle have made an even bigger impact than Fulham, in playing terms, by going to the top of the second division and looking favourities to win the title. Their attendances, while not as big as Fulham's last senson, are big enough to keep the new club viable and to encourage the belief that Rugby League can survive in north Cumbria.

In South Wales the Blue Dragons of Cardiff City have not made the impact expected in the rugby-mad principality. There has been premature and sometimes malicious talk of a quick collapse of the venture.

malicious talk or a quark competitives weather.

This ramour has been firmly and categorically squashed by David Watkins, the one-time idol of the Arras Park crowd and now the managing director of Cardiff City Rugby League Club. "We have a five-year plan to develop here at Ninian Park," he said.

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Britain are not the obvious underdogs they would have been in Rome five years ago. Their Davis Cup record had given them confidence. Moura has shown Adriano Panatta and Corrado Barazzutti. Lewis must be given a chance, even on uncongenial shale, because of the assurance be is adding to competitive-tenacity. In doubles, Andrew Jarrett and Jonathan Smith are feeling perky because, this year, they have already won a grand prix tournament and been runners up in another. runners up in another.

and competitive confidence of Panatta, Barazzutri, and Panlo Bertoincci, a once-mighty trium-virate it seems possible— atthough, all things considered, slightly improbable,— that Britain could win a Davis Cup tie in Italy for the first time since

Ivan Lendl will not play at Wimbledon this year. He cannot get sufficient practice on grass. Czechoslovakia does not have a single grass court. His decision to miss Wimbledon, together with hims that Borg may do the same, is a charp reminder that the game's greatest championships are no longer an isolated peak in the fixture list, Rex Bellamy writes.

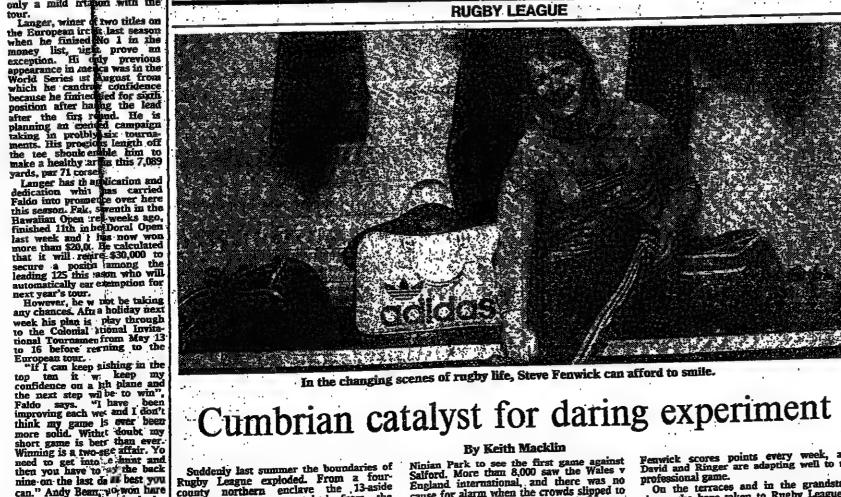
By contrast there have been signs of some decline in the rest

writes.
Players can be far more selective these days. Many of them either find Wimbledon too staid or resent the fact that for a month they must adjust their games to grass.

Lendi is single-minded and practical just as Borg has failed to win the United States championship on hard courts and John McEnroe and Jimmy

to win the United States championship on hard courts and John McEnroe and Jimmy Connors have failed to take the French championship on shale, Lendi may reasonably feel that his nature and his game are too inflexible to permit the high-speed improvisations a Wimbledon champion needs.

RUGBY LEAGUE



In the changing scenes of rugby life, Steve Fenwick can afford to smile.

Cumbrian catalyst for daring experiment

Ninian Park to see the first game against Salford. More than 8,000 saw the Wales v England international, and there was no cause for alarm when the crowds slipped to Suddenly last summer the boundaries of Rugby League exploded. From a four-county northern enclave the 13-aside professional game stretched from the Borders of Scotland to London and South Wales. For years officials of the northern handling code had dreamed of national expansion, and Fulham had made a spectacularly successful entry into the second division, winning promotion at the first attempt. cause for alarm when the crowds supped to around 4,000, a figure regarded as adequate. But there was a long gap due to the big freeze, and the attendance at the home game against Huyton slumped to just over 1,000; Mr Watkins began to worry and look for reasons. With aggressive optimism he found them:

reasons. With aggressive optimism he found them.

"We went nine weeks without a home game", Mr Warkins says. "If you are bringing a new sport into an area yon have to give the people continuity of interest." Nevertheless he makes the point that Cardiff's Rugby Union Club, with a century of tradition behind them, often get gates of 3,000 and even 2,000.

Another problem for Cardiff — and one which was feared and expected — has been the entrenched opposition from Rugby Union diehards. Mr Watkins feels that, with some honourable exceptions in Cardiff papers, the South Wales press have not given the Blue Dragons a fair chance. Little constructive publicity is given to Rugby League outside the boundaries of Cardiff, and many stories about the new club gloat and many stories about the new club gloat over their struggles or are cynical about

over their struggles or are cymcal about their ambitions.

Although promotion seems beyond Cardiff this season, Mr Watkins expects his team to finish comfortably in the top six or eight of the second division. Next season, he says, the blue dragons will make an assault on promotion. His ideal is to field a side consisting of Welsh players, and an encouraging sign for him is that very many Rugby Union players from throughout the valleys write asking for trails. Great names from the Rugby Union past of Wales have already made their impact at Niman Park.

Fenwick scores points every week, and David and Ringer are adapting well to the professional game. On the terraces and in the grandstan

On the terraces and in the grant those who have taken to Rugby League in Cardiff have developed strong loyalties and enthusiasm. A local park-keeper, who works regularly on Sundays, is taking a holiday this month so that he can watch in the flesh this month so that he can watch in the flesh this month so that he can watch in the flesh the game he has grown to like on television, and an accountant in the city said he had seen every Blue Dragons home game. Everyone acknowledged that the biggest fight is against union prejudice.

A much less tense situation exists in the northern outposts of the game at Carlisle. Carlisle are certain of promotion and could pip Oldham for the championship. In an area of sparse population Carlisle have built up their attendances to an average of nearly 3,500.

Colin Hutchinson, the Carlisle director who does an excellent public relations job for both football and Rugby League, is guardedly thrilled at the success of the 13-agnardedly thrilled at the success of the 15-8side venture. "One reason we went in for
Rueby League was to ger maximum stadium
utilization for Brunton Park. We are
building a complete sports complex here;
and we want all facilities to be fully used.

Mr Hutchinson has been amazed at the
response of the Carlisle public to the largely
unfamiliar handling game.

Mr Hutchinson and the Carlisle directors
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Mr nutchinson and the Cardisic offectors are full of excellent promotional schemes and at the end of the month there will be a Festival of Rugby League at Brunton Park. On Friday, March 26 there will be a second On Friday, March 26 mere will be a second division evening game against Rochdale Hornets and on the following Sunday afernoon a home game with Huyton. In between there will be a meet-the-players party, and an Open day on the Saturday.

of the time. It will be interesting to see what the reactions are when Cheltenham's latest face lift is unveiled by Lord Plummer, before the start of this year's National Hunt Festival in just under a fortnight.

When it was announced that the Levy Board had agreed to loan Cheltenham £1.6m to help finance the next stage of their redevelopment, which has just cost £1,965,000, there was criticism that the project was unnecessary and that the money could be better spent elsewhere. However, when the critics see what has been achieved in the last 11 months I believe that they will concede that the money has been used to good effect.

The redevelopment has entailed a new parade ring and weighing room, a covered Tote betting hall, a betting shop near the paddock, a horse walk in front of the stands that will allow horses to return to the unsaddling the stage.

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paddock, a horse walk in front of the stands that will allow horses to return to the unsadding enclosure after each race in full view of spectators, new hars and new cloakrooms.

What I particularly like is the way that the hill there has been used to create a vast amphitheatre. This will enable many more people to get a better view of the paddock and the unsadding enclosure than hitherto and standard recent storms had left the course twaterlogged. Leaving Ludlow stable's plans no stable's plans no call the forms of the sensations of the sensatio

Now that the majority of Tim Forster's horses have shrugged off the after affects of the virus, which played such havoc with the stable's plans no one should be surprised if Very Light wins the Forbra Gold Cup, At the expense of Lewis Homes and Oskprime.

Most of Forster's horses have Most of Forster's nurses have meeded a race since the stable swung back into action last month, so there is ground for believing that Very Light will have improved since he ran so well to finish half a length behind

How money is spent for the betterment of racing is guaranteed to provoke endless argument. With so many different parties interested in a share of the cake, the only hope is to please some of the people some of the time. It will be interesting to see what the reactions are when Cheltenham's latest face lift is unveiled by Lord Plummer, before the start of this year's National Hunt Festival in just under a fortnight.

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winning the same race at Cheltenham with Cornish Gramite of the first division of the Corvedale Novices Hurdle this afternoon.

Cornish Granite began his interesting the Sun Grand National 11 months ago. Aldaniti was consistent to the story clearly did not take some by surprise as he was backed down to 6-1 from 10-1 before the start of this year's National Hunt Festival in just under a fortnight.

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☐ Broadsword has been backed and is now joint-ravourite with Daring Run. Other leading prices: 7-2 Ekbalco, 8-1 Heighlin. Il The Michael Dickinson-trained Bregawn has been cut from 100-30 to 11-4 favourite with Corals for Saturday's Greenall Whitley Breweries Handicap Steeplechase at Haydock Park.

Lingfield cancelled was cancelled because the course was waterlogged, bringing the number of National Hunt fixtures lost this season to 81.

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Rodman enjoys himself on way to Festival

Fred Winter landed his fiftieth winner of the season when Rodman, a 54 on favourite, had a confidence-boosting victory in the Sidbury Handicap steeple-chase. Rodman has suffered problems with his jumping, but gave a fine exhibition yesterday and never put a foot wrong.

Winter said: "I know it was a bad race, but he couldn't have won any easier. It was just what the horse wanted, and he will now go to Cheltenham, where he has a choice of three engagements." Rodman was watched by his American-based owner, Mrs Juan Ceballos, who will make the return trip to England when the horse runs at Cheltenham.

The gamble of the race was on Prince of Pleasure, backed from 7-1 to 4-1, but he showed a rejuctance to struggle over the final two fences when under pressure from Peter Scudamore,

reluciance to struggle over the final two fences when under pressure from Peter Scudamore, and finished third.

Three other Chektenham contenders were successful at Wetherby. Saint Jonathon, who ran in the Derby and 2,000 Guineas, showed he has great potential over hurdles when landing his first success at the winter game in the first division of the Cowthorpe Novices Hurdle. He beat Perialos by a runaway 10 lengths.

Saint Jonathon will now run in either the Waterford Crystal Supreme Novices Hurdle at the Festival or the Panama Cigar Hurdle final at Chepstow on March 13. The winner, who started at 5-2 on, was always going easily in the hands of John O'Neill. He cruised to the front two out, and despite a slight mistake at the last, won impressively.

The Drunken Duck earned a place in the Foxhunters at



Steel Trader (right) leads Lilac Lady on his way to a Worcester win

Cheltenham with a battling four-lengths victory over Killamonan in the Arnold G. Wilson Land Rovers Hunters Steeplechase qualifier. Broderick Munro-Wil-son owns, trains and rode the sine would whe fought hack son owns, trains and rode the nine-year-old, who fought back bravely on the flan nine-year-old, who fought back bravely on the flat.

The Newmarket trainer, Jeremy Hindley landed his first jumping winner for nine years before he tackles the Daily

Express Triumph Hurdle". Hills immediately quoted Arkan at 25-1 for the four-year-old crown at the Festival meeting. Ardar, the 2-1 favourite, from Peter Easterby's Maltou Yard, finished a well-beaten third. by's Mattou I at was beaten third beaten third beaten third state Of GOMG (official) Ludlow; good to soll famorrow Membury; burdle, back stretch heavy; remainder soil, thuse course good to

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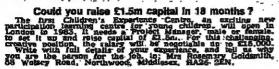
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In the early days computing was an open career market. Given ability and training, anyone could get on. Today, prospects are more tightly tied to formal qualifications and educational background. Patterns of career development are being emblished which exclude the unoughfied, and the industry is becoming graduate-intensive. Up to 90 per cent of staff in

Moreover, a professional elite is emerging who have received their basic training with the major man-ufsceners. It is these companies, rather than the reers, which are breeding the high fliers.

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Geographically, too, the computing usiness is becoming more restricted. It is calculated that half the compu-ters in Britain are located in the Southeast, and those unwalling to move to London or the Home Coun-ties may face limited prospects. IBM, for exemple, has its national headquarters, a meior manufacturing plant and a research centre (the company's largest ouvide the United States) all in Hamushice. All this sugrests that the industry is settling down and becoming more structured after a neriod of rather disorderly growth. The growth is continuing but it is more institutionalized.

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open to graduates from a variety of disciplines. This applies also in specialities like sales work and technical authorship, where a background in the arts or social sciences could be an advantage.

However, while it is definitely an

esset to have a degree, prospects are by no means closed to the 'non-graduate. Many major companies run computer tealning schemes which are open to "A" level-qualified applicants. There is also the National

Computing Centre's own Threshold scheme for young people which requires minimal educational qualifications and claims a subsequent employment record of about 80 per

cent. Because of the rapid growth of computer use there has also grown up, outside of the big corporations, a wide range of small-scale computing outfits. Indeed, at a certain level, compusing has become a cottage industry, with self-employed programmers and programme-writers selling their services to users who need systems tailor-made to meet their own requirements. The growth of "software houses" has been a feature of recent years, as has been the emergence of management consultants (including prestigious firms like the accountants Arthur Ander-sen) who specialize in providing

apolications. The best course is to get into computers voung. Relevant degrees are available through most universities and polytechnics, and some sechnical colleges run the TEC BEC Computer Studies Course.

For more information contact the National Computing Centre, Oxford Road, Manchester M1 7ED.

More emphasis on self-help

Michel Syrett looks at skills exchange · schemes, a communitybased form

of barter



With less money available to local colleges and adult education insti-tutes offering partitime courses and evening classes, there has been a growing interest in the value of less community-based learning. methods. A practical result has been the development of skills exchanges, based on the principles of community self-help and the barter system of exchanging goods, services and time.

The theory behind these exchanges is simple: members teach or pass on skill in return for one which they wish to acquire. The scheme allow them to pick up a wide variety of skills at little or no cost, while putting their own skills and talents to profitable and constructive use.

The idea was pioneered by Age Concern, who set up a skills exchange scheme called Link Opportunity to provide an outlet for the untapped skills of retired people. It is now used by younger people. New mem-bers give their names and addresses to the organizer, together with details of the services and skills they can offer, and the services and skills they wish to acquire. The organizer matches them with those offered by other members of the group, and marries the two

of the member's time.

in operation, known as "The Net-work", is based in Liverpool and sponsared by the Merseyside Council for Voluntary Service. Membership is free and as with the Link Opportunity schemes, no money is involved.

The organization depends on the reliability of its members for its ruccess, and participation in the scheme includes a commitment to a small amount of time running the

The skills which can be acquired or exchanged under these schemes have included gardening, music lessons, vehicle assessment and repair, photography, tax advice, bricklaving, typing, painting and decorating, language lessons and soft toy making. A wide network of similar contacts and pages and page lar exchanges could prove to be a simple and cost-effective alternative to conventional evening classes. It would also provide a productive outlet for the stills of unemployed peonle, who could take part without sacrificing their unemployment or supplementary benefit.

There are as yet few exchange registers in operation, but there is no reason why local communities should not start their own; the scheme is simple in principle and requires little money to operate.

if the scheme is run on formal lines, it is possible to fall back on the financial support of a sympathetic body. In October 1979, the Network was offered a grant of £31,000 over three years by the Carnesie United. Kinedom Trust: hasic office equip-ment is provided by the Merseyside Council for Voluntary Service.

Alternatively, individuals can set themselves up as agencies for the exchange of skills, using community facilities—for example, those provided by local community centres and the advertising potential of local

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6.40 Open University: Psychosexual Differences (2) Search and Rescue. Brick by Brick. Ends at 7.55. At 9.05 For Schools, Colleges. 9.05 Brazil 9.27 it's Your Cholco. 9.48 it's Maths, 10.10 Science Workshop. 10.32 Scene (After the Goldrigh), 11.05 Near and Fay, 11.30 Search. 11.55 On the Bocks. 12.20 Interval. 12.30 News After Noon. 12.57 Financial Report. And news headines. 1.00 Peoble Mill at One. National. headities. 1.00 People and of Chec. Transfer conservation contest is bunched by Dr David Bellenny. 1.45 King Rollo. 1.50 Bric-a-Brac. 2.00 You and Me. 2.15 For Schools, Colleges. Music Time. 2.40 Television Club. 3.00 Close Down, 3.15 Hollday, India's attraction; the Yugoslavian Jown of Rovini, pony tredding in Wales (r). 3.55 Play School (see BBC 2, 11.00am).

4.20 Pixie and Dixie: cartoon. 4.25 Jackanory:

4,40 Huckleberry Flnn and His Friends: Episode

5.10 Blue Peter: Viewers are asked to design an Ideal suit for Peter Duncan, co-presenter of

5.40 News with Richard Baker; 6.00 South East at Six; 6.25 Nationwide.

6.55 Tomorrow's World: A computer that works under water; a camera that does not use a conventional roll of film or cartridge; a new

7.20 Top of the Pops; with David 'Kid' Jensen.

8.00 The Kenny Everett Television Show.

9.00 A Party Political Broadcast: David Steel,

9.05 News: with John Simpson. And weather

actor (r).

12.10 Weather forecast.

on behalf of the Liberal Party (see also BBC2, 10.45 and ITV, 10.00 pm).

estring: Another Man's Castle. Another

in this drama series about a crime reporter working for a West Country radio station. Tonight, Shoestring (Trevor Eve) goes into action after a removal van, full of furniture,

is stolen from a motorway service station.
Co-starring Michael Medwin (as the radio station manager), Doran Godwin and LizCrowther, with John Forgeham as guest.

10.25' Question Time: Robin Day is again in the

Angelo, of Time Life magazine.

11.25 Perry Como's Bahamas Holiday: A second screening of this sun-soaked entertainment

chair as an audience puts questions to Peter Shore; Anna Coote, the women's

rights champion; Lord Gowrie, Minister of State for Northern Ireland; and Bonnie

which features a host of Bahamian artistes including Captain and Tennille with King

Bonaparte and his steel drum band; Loretta Swit, and the Royal Bahamas Police Force

8.30 Goodbye Mr Kend: The sorely tried

blonic arm. And items on genetic engineering in farming, and making nuclear waste solid and safe. The reporters are Peter McCann and Kleron Prendivitie.

landlady now has her lodger's mother on her hands — and in her bed. With-Hannah Gordon, Richard Briers, Gwen Nelson.

5.05 John Craven's Newsround.

Bernard Holley reads more from Joan Eadington's Johny Brigs and the Glant

The murderer Indian Joe is at large.

BBC 2

Open University From Petroleum to Polyethylene; 7.05 Levels of Moaning 7.30 Geophysical Techniques. Ends at 7.55em; At 11.00 Play School: Geoff Nichol's story The Compost Heap, The presenters are Chice Astrorott and Brian Cant: 11.25 Closedown, Nothing Brian Canc 11.20 Crosecown. Northing then until 3.55 Maggeridge: Ancient and Modern. Perutilmate film in this biographical series consisting of a running interview and highlights from TV films in which Malcolm Muggeridge has appeared. Today: the period covered is from 1971 to 1978. includes: Heroes and Heroines, A Saterist Satirised, and Muggeridge in

4.50 Caught in Time: Amateur film of past life in St Boswells in the

5.10 Charles Rennie Mackintosh;

5.40 Laurel and Hardy: Their First

6.00 All creatures Great and Small

6.55 County Half: Local government

7.25 History on Your Doorsteps:

8.30 Russell Harty: with the evangelist Billy Graham and David Essex.

9.00 Call My Bluff: Toolght's players: Frank Mukr, Liza Goddard, Hugh Leonard, Arthur Marshall, Eve Pollard and

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quade and saves bits of Britain for posterity.

Nick of Time: How Nick Mead gets in ahead of the demolition

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(Tom Bailey, Pete Dodd and
John Roog), formed in 1977.

9.30 Forty Minutes: Saved in the

10.10 Kyong-Wha Chung Plays Bach: Specificially, she plays Bach's Concert for violin and

10.45 Party Political Broadcast: by David Steel, the Liberal leader.

11.30 The Old Grey Whistle Test:

7.50 The Shogun Inheritance:

(See Choice).

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Mistake* (1932). A baby is

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serial. Who leaked a report to the Press? 7.20 News: with

Ritulistic tea drinking in Japan

The house (Hill House) that Mackintosh built for Glasgow publisher Walter Blackie in

Scottish Lowlands (r).

ITV/LONDON

9.30 For Schools. Physics in Action. (9.30); My World. (9.52); Seeing and Doing. (10.09); Geography Today. (10.26); Blology A-level. (10.48); Basic Maths. (11.05); Tubes and Tunnels. (11.22); Middle English. (11.39)); 12.00 The Woofits: The Special Offer. 12.10 Get up and Gol with Beryl Reld; 12:30 The Suffivans: Australian tansity ages set in the less were 10.00 by the serious control of the serious control o with Beryl Reid; 12,30 The Sullivana: Australian landy, saga, set in the last war; 1.00 News from ITN. 1.20 Thames news; 1.30 Take the High Road: Scottish estate sertal; 2.00 After Noon Plus; The case histories of several people addicted to tranquillizers. With Dr Peterson of the Institute of Psychiatry, 2.45 Snooker; Fourth day of the Yamsha Organs Trophy, broadcast five from the Assembly Rooms in Derby; Highlights of the day's play can be seen at 10.35 tonight...

4.15 Dr Snuggles: the inventor with Peter Ustinov's voice (r). 4.20 Little House on the Prairie: a kidnapping plot in Walnut

5.45 News from ITN; 6.00 Thames area news; 6.30 Thames Sport: national and

questions to a team of laughter makers, not

Edwards, Frankie Howard, William Rushtor and Tim Brooke-Taylor, Guest questioner:

7.00 Does the Team Think? The public puts

7.30 Rising Damp: Comedy series, set in a

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expecting a serious reply — and no petting one. With Beryl Reid, Jimmy

lodging house run by the disreputable Rigby (Leonard Rossiter). Tonight: he

8.00 Falcon Crest. Drama serial, set in California wine country, and starring Jane Wyman.

Tonight: Chase (Robert Foxworth) is in deep financial trouble.

Belinda Sinciair as his wife. Still without a job, Shelley sats his face against adversity and takes his wife out to the cinema and

9.00 Shelley: Comedy series starring Hywel Bennett as the perpetual layabout and

9.30 TV Eye: Fighting for the Universities. The cash cuts which threaten both staffs and

10.00 A Party Political Broadcast: by David Steel,

eader of the Liberal Party.

10.05 News from JTN. And Thames news

10.35 Snooker: The best of the action from

12.00 What the Papers Say. A review of what the Press has had to say during the past week. The presenter tonight is Godfrey Hodgson.

12.15 Close: Wynford Vaughan Thomas on the art

by Danis Tuchy.

students. The focus is on Stirling in Scotland, one of the worst hit areas. Its

grant has been cut by 27 per cent. A report

today's Yamaha Organs Trophy tournamen

produced to accompany the series (History on Your Doorstep, by J. R

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5.15 Emmerdale Farm: More about Joe Sugden's application for the estate

manager job. . . .

8.37 Vesteray in Parament.
8.57 Weather and Travel.
9.00 News.
9.05 Checkpoint.
9.30 The Living World and Beyond? Investigates the possibilities of there being life etsewhere in the Universe.

10.00 News.
10.02 Town Hall Rules CK? (new series) Nigel Rees finds out how local government works.
10.30 Daily Service. 10.45 Morning Story: Cockles" by Jo Git, 11.00 News and Travet, 11.05 Fite on 4, 11.50 Enquire Wiltim. 12.00 Ments.

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6.00 News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.30 Today. 8.33 Yesterday in Parliament.

12.02 You and Yours.
12.27 Brain of British 1982.†
12.55 Weather and Travel and
Programme News.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers. 2.00 News. 2.02 Women's Hour.

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Bookshelf.
Story Time: "Weish Fargo" by Harry Secombe (9).
Pill: News snagazine Weather & Programme News.
News and Financial Report. 6.30 Any Answers? 6.54 It's a Bargain. 7.00 News. 7.05 The Archers.

Time for Verse. Oslo Philh nic Orchestre 8.00 Oelo Philiammonic Orchestra Concert. Part 1: Greig, Rachmaninov.† 8.50 Of Ships and Sealing-Wax ...Taxtiles and Pigs. John Simpson discusses the econ-orzy of Northern Ireland. 9.10 Concert (Part 2) Sibelius. †

9.16 Concert Unit of Section 19.59 Weather. 10.00 The World Tonight: News. 11.00 A Book at Bedtime: "Com acy of Dunces" by Kennady Toole (9).

VHF as above except as follows: 6.25-6.30 Weather and Travel. 9.95 For Schools. 10.30-10.46 Listen with Mother. 11.00-12.00 For Schools 1.55 pm Programme News, 2.00-3.00 For Schools, 5.50-5.55 PM (commund), 11.00 Study on 4, 11.30-12.10 am

Radio 3

6.53 Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Morning Concert. Boyce, Saint-Saëns. Schubert, Dvorak; records.† News. Morning Concert (continued). Chabrier (mono), J. C. Bach,

Mozart, Ibert; records. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composer hoven; records.†
10.00 Virtuoso Plano Music, Recitat: Holman, Saint-Saëns transcr,

Hofman, Saint-Saëns transcr, Godowsky, Busoni, Liszi.†

10.40 Bach Violin Sonatas, Recital.†

11.10 St. David's Music Week. BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra concert: Stravinsky, Jelfrey Lewis, Rimsky-Korsakov. The Stravinsky work is the Firebird Suite, and the Rimsky-Korsakov work is the Symphonic Suite Sheherazade, Op. 35.

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There is a first performance of Jettrey Lewis's Limina Lucis, for organ and orchestra (John Scott is the organist).†

News.

Bristol Lunchtime Concert from St. George's, Brandon Hills. Chamber music recital: Beethoven, Rossird, Sandor Veress, Josef Bohuslay Foerster.†

Lee Pacheum de Perios, Coorse 2.00 Lee Pecheurs de Perise. Opera in three acts by Bizet (sung in French; records). The singers include Leopold Simoneau, Pierrette Alarie, Réné Bianco and Xavier Deprez. With the Lamourex Orchestra. Music for Cello and Plano. Recital: Marting, Jolivet, Balessa,

Harry Secombe, Radio 4 (4.45)

Hunniord.† 2.00 Ed Stewart.† 4.00 David Hamilton.† 5.45 News and Sport. 6.00 Jan Leeming.† 8.00 Country Club.† 9.00 Alan Dell.† 10.00 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†
7.00 Shoslakovich Chamber Music. 8.00 The Making of British Foreign
Policy 1782-1982. Michael
Howard, Reglus Professor of
Modern History, University of
Oxford, gives the first of three
lectures to mark the bleshleadry
of the Foreign and Common-Know Your Place: 10.30 Star Sound Extra. 11.00 Brian Matthew from midnight. † 1.00 Truckers' Hour. † 2.00-5.00 You and the Night and the

of the Foreign and Commo wealth Office.

9.00 BBC Northern Symphony
Orchestra. Concert; Tchalkov-

sky, Brahms.†

10.20 Of the Levitation at St.
Wichael's by Carey-Harrison.† 11,00 News, 11,05 Carnival of Flowers, Hans Werner Henze on record.† VHF only 5.55-6.55 am and 11.20 pm-1.0 am Open

Radio 1

5.00 As Redio 2. 7.00 Mike Re es. 11.30 Dave Lee Travis. 12.30 Newsbeal. 2.00 Paul Burnett, 3.30 Steve Wright. 5.00 Andy ebles. 7.00 The Record Producers. 8.09 David Jensen. 10.00 John Peel.†

World Service

Radio 2 5.00 Ray Moore. † 7.30 Terry Wogen.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

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TVS

As Themes except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.00-2.45 Not for Women Only. 5.15 Radio, 5.30-5.45 Coast to Coast 6.00 Coast to Coast, 6.35 Crossroads 7.00-7.30 Emmerciale Farm. 12.00 Company, followed by Closedown.

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GRANADA

As Thames except: Starts 9.20 am Good Word. 9.25-9.30 News. 1.20 ISOOD WOTE. 9.25-9.30 News. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. Lookaround. 4.20 Lone Ranger. 4.50-5.45 Voyage to the Boblom of the Sea. 6.00 News. 6.02 Crossroads. 6.25 Northarn Life, 7.00-7.30 Emmerdate Farm. 12.00 Job Stot Extra. 12.05 am Being with God. 12.10 Closedown.

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YORKSHIRE

As Themes except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Naws, 4.20 Sport Billy, 4:45-5.45 Little House on the Prairie, 6.00 Calendar, 6.35 Crossroads, 7.00-7.30 Emmardale Farm, 12.00 Closedown

CHANNEL

As themes except: 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 5.20-5.45 Crossreads, 6.00 Channel Report. 6.35 What's on Where. 6.40 On the Water, 7.00-7.30 Benson, 1G.00-10,05 Life in France.

ULSTER

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-1.30 Lunchtime, 4.20 Here's Boomer, 4.45 Schools Challenge, 5.15 Recto, 5.30-5.45 Good Evening Utster, 6.09 Good Evening Utster, 6.25 Potice Six, 6.25 Crossroads, 7.00-7.30 Emmerdale Farm. 12.00 News at Bedtime.

CENTRAL

As Thames except: 12.30 pm-1.00 Young Doctors, 1.20-1.30 News, 4.20 Sport Billy, 4.45 Jason of Star Command, 5.15-5.45 Here's Boomer, 6.00 Crossroads, 6.25 News, 7.00

ANGL!A

As Thames except: 1.20 pm-2.45 News: 2.00-2.45 Not for Women Only. 4.20 Vicky the Viking. 4.45 Adventures of Bleck Beauty. 6.00 About Anglia, 6.20 Arena, 6.33 Crossroads. 7.00-7.30 Bonson, 10.35 North Sea Saga, 11.20 Snocker. 12.00 Marie Gordon-Price in Concert with Alian Stewart. 12.30 am Living World.

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TSW

As Thames except: 1,20 pm-1,30 News, 5,15 Gus Honeybun, 5,20-5,45 Grossroads, 6,00 Today South Vicot, 6,00 Tele Views, 6,46 Cn the Water, 7,00-7,30 Benson, 12,05 zm Postscript, 12,11 Closedown.

EORDER As Thames except: 1,20 pm-1,30 News. 5.15-5.45 University Challenge 6.00 Lookaround. 5.35 Crossroads. 7,00-7,30 Emmerdule Farm. 12.05 am News. 12.08 Closedown.

Court of Appeal

Law Report March 4 1982

Chancery Division

When failure to act

Nick Mead: Served in the Nick of as a single bell aptly re-christened Trans (BBC 2; 9.30 pm) Trinity.

Regina v Miller

Before Lord Justice Ackner, out could not give rise to lord Justice Stocker and Mr criminal liability.

[judgment delivered March 3]

An unintentional act followed by a reckless or intentional omission to rectify that act or its consequences could be regarded in toto as an intentional act so as to constitute a criminal offence. In toto as an intentional act so as to constitute a criminal offence.

The Court of Appeal (Criminal) Division) so held dismissing James Miller's appeal against conviction at Leicester Crown Court (Mr Recorder Matthewman, QC) for an offence of arson contrary to section 1(1) and (3) of the Criminal Damage Act 1971, on the grounds that the indge, was wrong to reject a submission of no case to answer on the basis that there was absence of actus reus, and had misdirected the jury that the applicant was under a duty to put out the fire, and that his omission to do so was sufficient to constitute the offence.

Mr Patrick Thomas, assigned by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant, Mr David McCarthy for the pros-

It had set the mattress elight. He woke up shortly afterwards to find the mattress smouldering, but he did nothing to put it out and moved into the next room where he again went to sleep.

Later a police officer saw that the house was on fire. The fire brigade was called and had to rescue the appellant. In his statement to the police he accepted that the fire had been this fault.

In the whole of considered together and could and should be regarded as one act.

There was the significant element of adoption present, and the recorder was correct in leaving the case to the jury on the basis that the question was

Clearly under the decision of the basis that the question the House of Lords in R v whether the appellant's or Caldwell [1981] 2 WLR 509), there was no question that the appellant had been reckless, so that the mens rea of the offence dismissed.

is an offence

However, a distinction had to be drawn between the case of be drawn between the case of persons coming across an already existing danger and doing nothing, and the case of someone who either accidentally or deliberately was responsible for the dangerous situation and failed to act. In this case the appellant could not be said to be in the same position as an innocent by stander. as an innocent bystander.

SAVED IN THE NICK OF TIME

(BBC2, 9.30 pm) is a hymn of praise to cambelisers in general and to one in particular, Nick Mead, whose Christian name is punnily absorbed into the title at this latest Forty

Minutes documentary. Mr Mead's mission in fife is to snatch treasures (or what pass for treasures in the world-of architectural recycling)

from the jaws of death and give them a new, if alien, lease of life. Thus, the portico that once adorned

the front of a Victorian house in

Beckenham is now a gazebo in

Attanta, Georgia, in whose shadow boys' choir trills Nymphs and

lute and harpsichord. And thus the

melted-down peal of three bells that once rang out in Marylebone now

berds to the accompaniment of

. Unless a statute specifically so Unless a statute specifically so provided, or the case was one where the common law imposed a duty to act, then the mere omission to act with nothing more was not criminal. Further, the actus reus and mens rea must normally coincide.

However, it might be artificial to consider parts of criminal conduct independently, merely because they were separate in point of time. The conduct should be looked at as a whole in appropriate circumstances.

In such cases, of which the by the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant, Mr. David McCarthy for the prosecutor.

LORD JUSTICE MAY, giving the judgment of the court, said that the facts had not been in dispute. The appellant was a vagrant and had been squatting at a house owned by a housing association.

In such cases, of which the present was an example, an intentional act followed by an intentional omission to rectify it or its consequences, or a reckless omission to do so if that was a sufficient—mens rea in the garded in toto when reality and common sense so required, and that might well be a matter for the jury.

Whether on the facts there was One evening he had returned an element of adoption by the there and gone to the bedroom he offender of what he had done had been using. He lay down, he earlier, by what he deliberately a cigarette and fell asleep before or recklessly failed to do later finishing it.

Accordingly, although the correctness of the recorder's direction that the appellant was under any duty at criminal law to extinguish the fire was doubtful, the was doubtful, the whole of the appellant's conduct should be considered together and could and should be

the basis that the question was whether the appellant's omission was reckless, as defined by their Accordingly the appeal was

The issue was whether the appellant constituted an actus reus, or report it more based.

Leave was granted to appeal to the House of Lords.

Solicitors: Mr L S. Manson, Birmingham.

Handing down judgments

CHOICE

Forty Minutes film is HISTORY ON YOUR DOORSTEP (SBC 2, 7.25pm)

which ends its eight-week run tonight. It has, I believe, admirably succeeded in doing what it set out

to do; which was not just to sharper

our awareness of our environment : but make us realise what a powerful affinity exists between local history

and family history. Tonight's film, made in the Somerset village of Butleigh, is a perfect illustration of

research into the family who noce

attractive book which the BBC has Oxford.

this latter point. Ann Heeley's

office, did not end there. It

Not entirely unrelated to the

Chilean Nitrate Sales Corpora-tion v Marine Transportation Co Ltd

Co Ltd

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Cumming Bruce, Lord Justice Donaldson and Lord Justice Oliver) said on March 3 that in future in appropriate cases reserved judgments would not be read out but copies would be handed out to the interested parties. In cases of general public interest the usual practice of reading the judgment in open court would be continued.

The court, in a reserved judgment, dismissed an appeal by the plaintiffs from the decision of Mr Justice Mustill ([1980] I Lloyds List Rep 638) who had enered judgment for the defendants.

dants.
The judgment of the court was not read but copies were supplied to counsel and some copies were to counsel and banded down. LORD JUSTICE CUMMING-

BRUCE said that that practice would be followed in his Lordship's court in those cases in which the court was satisfied that those interested were the parties, the law reporters, and a very limited number of members of the public to whom the jud-gment, by arrangement, could be

given.

In those cases in which the court took the view that the public generally was likely to be interested the usual practice of interested the usual practice of giving the judgment in onen court would be followed. This was the first time that the court had followed the practice followed by Lord Justice Donaldson in the Commercial Court.

LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON said that the system operated in the Commercial Court in order to the Commercial Court in order to save the time not only of the judges but of counsel, solicitors and commercial parties whose time was extremely valuable. It was not intended to deprive the shorthand writers of their normal business of supplying copies of the judgments.

Jury standard of proof

Deem raised on that.

The issue was whether the actual omission of the appellant to put out the fire in the mattress constituted an actus reus, or to extent, if at all, an omission to actual criminal hability. It was argued that there was no actus reus, in that there was no actus reus, in that the mattress was set on fire atticidentally, and that thereafter and not by Harveys, Lewisham.

Leave was granted to appeal to the House of Lords.

Solicitors: Mr L S. Manson, sinder to be used by a judge when giving directions to a judge when giving the criminal case as long as he made it clear to them what was well known to be the criminal case as long as he made it clear to them what was well known to be the criminal c Regina v Corcoran

Bousfield and Others v North
Yorkshire County Council

Before Mr Justice Dillon
Indement delivered March 31 [Judgment delivered March 3]

His Lordship dismissed as misconceived and an abuse of process an application by the plaintiffs, Mr Eric Charles Bousfield, and two others, as trustees of the 2nd Barl of Haiffax, by way of originating summons in the Chancery Division, for a declaration that they were entitled to have part of Tillmire Common, Healington, North Yorkshire, in their free-hold ownership, forming part of unit number CL 84, removed from the register of common land maintained by the defendant, North Yorkshire County Council.

His Lordship held that where it in either case, the court deems it just to rectify the register". Again proceedings under section 14 were assigned to the Chancery Division. highway.
The plaintiffs took the view

Council.

His Lordship held that where it was claimed that a decision of an inferior tribinal ought to be quashed for error of law on the face of the record the appropriate procedure was by an application for judicial review before the Queen's Bench Divisional Court. The defendant had applied to strike out the applied to strike out the proceedings on the ground that the court had no jurisdiction to grant the declaration sought. Mr Francis M. Ferris, QC, and Mr Nicholas Asprey for North Yorkshire County Council; Mr Robin B. Auld, QC, and Mr W. R. Griffiths for the plaintiffs.

MR JUSTICE DILLON said that the proceedings related to land known as Tillmire Common at Hestington in North York-shire, which had been registered as common land under the Commons Registration Act 1965. The plaintiffs, who were, or claimed to be owners in fee simple, were the trustees of a settlement created by the Earl of

Halifax. Ris Lordship said that section 5 provided for the registration of provisional registrations and for objections thereto, and that any provisional registration which was confirmed by a commons commissioner, on a reference under section 5, or to which no objection in due time was ever made, became final and was to be entered in the register accordingly. Section 18 provided for an appeal by case stated to the High Court, and such appeals were assigned to the Chancery Divi-The present proceedings were

not, however, such an appeal.

What had happened in this case

and his Lordship apprehended
that it was a frequent situation

... was that the registration of Tillmire Common had become final, but no rights of common at all had been registered in respect of the land. Section 13 provided for amendment of the register where any land registered under the Act "ceases to be common land", and by section 14 the court could

amendment or a different amend-ment ought to have been made and that the error cannot be corrected in pursuance of regu-lations made under this Act; and,

Under section 22, "common lund" meant "(a) land subject to rights of common ..." or "(b) waste land of a manor not subject to rights of common" but did not include a town or village green or any land which formed part of a highway.

Accordingly on December 18, 1980 they applied to the defendant registration authority to amend the register under section 13 (a) and regulation 27, but their application was rejected on the ground that the land had "not ceased to be common land". In essence the defendant was thereby rejecting the construction of section 13 (a) put forward by the plaintiffs: namely, that land ceased to be common land by viruse of the Act itself if no rights of common had been or could be registered.

rights of common had been or could be registered.

The defendant at that stage assumed without inquiring that the plaintiffs were right in saying that the land was not "waste land of a manor", but in the course of the hearing Mr Ferris had stated that information had reached the defendant from a third party to the effect that Tillmire might the effect that Tillmire might once have been, and if so still was waste land of a manor. The defendant having given its The defendant having given its decision, as mentioned, the plaintiffs issued an originating summons on August 14, 1981. On November 24, the defendant issued a notice of motion asking that the summons be struck out and all further proceedings stayed on the grounds either that the court had no jurisdiction to entertain it; or if there was jurisdiction as a matter of discretion because the appropriate procedure, if any was an application to the Queen's Bench Divisional Court, for judicial

application to the Queen's Bench
Divisional Court, for judicial
review under Order 53 of the
Rules of the Supreme Court.
The originating summons, as
issued, sought a declaration that
the plaintiffs upon lawful application under section 13 are
entitled to have that part of
Tillmire Common in their
freehold ownership removed
from the register ...

Mr Auld, however, said that the summons related not to the future but to the present

application, and that, the defendant having erred in law, the plaintiffs were entitled to be declared entitled to have the land removed from the register, because no rights of common had

Some points were clear. First that the Chancery Division had no appellate jurisdiction to hear an appeal from the defendant's decision refusing to amend the

register.
Second that although, if the defendant had amended the register, the Chancery Division would have had jurisdiction under section 14 to consider the amendment the Chancery Diviwould have had jurisdiction under section 14 to consider the amendment, the Chancery Division had no jurisdiction, on the plain wording of section 14, where the defendant refused to make any amendment. The coort had no power to consider afresh a matter already decided by an inferior tribunal, when the decision of that matter had been committed by Parliament to that tribunal.

record, the decision was not a question as to the true construction and effect of an Act of Parliament which was less than 20 years old.

Such a question, be it easy or difficult, could just as well be parte Gitnore (1957] 1QB 574, a matter already decided by an inferior tribunal, when the decision of that matter had been committed by Parliament to that tribunal.

tribunal.

Beyond that Mr Ferris conceded that the defendant's refusal to amend could have been challenged by applying to the Queen's Bench Divisional Court Queen's Bench Divisional Court under Order 53, for judicial review, if an application were made in due time, and that it could be so challenged now, if the Divisional Court gave leave. But an application for judicial review did not involve a rehearing of the application rejected by the defendant, nor thid it involve an appeal against the defendant's an appeal against the defendant's decision. It was merely the way in which the courts acted in a supervisory capacity on well recognised principles in relation to inferior tribunals; see Anisminic v Foreign Compensation commission ([1969] 2 AC 147, 195) per Lord Pearce.

per Lord Pearce.

Mr Ferris also conceded that, in the light of the Anisminic decision, if the inferior tribunal's error went to jurisdiction, in the broad sense, the High Court had jurisdiction to entertain an action by an account party for action by an aggrieved party for a declaration that the tribunal's decision was a nullity, but even so, he argued, the court ought to refuse to entertain proceedings for a declaration, and ought instead to leave the aggrieved party to apply for a judicial

The question of jurisdiction as opposed to discretion therefore came down to this, that Mr Ferris submitted that an error of law by the tribunal within its jurisdic-

No jurisdiction to quash error of law

ment of Professor Wade's Admin-istrative Law (4th edition) at p503, that declaration was not available for error on the face of the record and that only certiorari would do.

certiorari would do.

If the tribunal gave a decision in excess of its jurisdiction, the decision was a nullity from the outset, the aggrieved party ought not to be burdened by it, and it was logical to conclude that the High Court had jurisdiction to entertain an action for a declaration that it was a nullity; compare Pyx Granite Co Ltd v Ministry of Housing and Local Government ([1960] AC 250, 268).

Where, however, the complaint Where, however, the complaint was that the inferior tribunal had erred in law on the face of the record, the decision was not a

whether the logic had led the High Court to entertain, as an alternative to judicial review, actions for declarations that decisions of inferior tribunals were nullities for errors of law going to jurisdiction, led to the conclusion that the High Court law on the face of the record, and jurisdiction is an extension.

(2) Whether, so far at any rate as a judge of first instance was concerned, the decision of the Court of Appeal in Punton v. Ministry of Exercising (No. 2) Ministry of Pensions (No 2) ([1964] 1 WLR 226), precluded the court from entertaining the present summons, even as amended as indicated above, or whether the decision in Punton's case depended entirely on the personal relief sought in that case, which merely raised a question of law for decision, and would whatever the answer given have left the decision of the inferior tribunal, the National Insurance Commissioner, stand-

Even if, however, the court had jurisdiction, the remedy of the declaration was discretionary, and the court clearly had full power to strike out or stay the proceedings if as a matter of discretion the court considered that the plaintiffs should apply for judicial review

His Lordship had formed the clear view that even if there was jurisdiction the plaintiffs' claim any particular case.

plated by the plaintiffs. On that basis the court clearly had no power to give relief.

Parliament had conferred the jurisdiction to amend the register on the defendant and not on the court, and the court had no jurisdiction to anticipate the decision of the defendant on a future application; see Barraclongh v Brown ([1897] AC 615).

Mr Auld, however, and that

Order 53 provided a carefully designed procedure to deal expeditiously with applications for judicial review. An important requirement was that the appli-cant should apply ex parts to the Divisional Court for leave to make the application.

The Commons Registration Act and the proceedings provided for by sections 14 and 18 were concerned with matters which were peculiarly within the territory of the Chancery Division. The question of law which the plaintiffs were seeking to raise was not a question of ancient law

conclusion that the High Court also had jurisdiction in an action for a declaration that the tribunal's decision was invalid for error on the face of the record, even though such a decision was not a nullity.

law on the face or the record, ought to be brought before the Queen's Bench Divisional Court and not in the Chancery Division.

The summons was misconceived and an abuse of the process of the court. Leave to a process of the court. Leave to a process of the court. appeal was granted, if required.

When judge can extend time

Mr Justice Woolf held in the Queen's Rench Division on February 4 that a single judge could as a matter of discretion exercise the power of the court to extend time in which to lodge a case stated by magistrates under Order 56 of the Rules of the Supreme Court notwithstandthe Supreme Court notwithstanding that it was a criminal cause which would be heard by a Divisional Court consisting of two judges.

The proper approach was to regard the single judge as having jurisdiction to deal with questions of time, given that he could

By Annabel Ferriman, Health Services Correspondent

ded two more voluntary agreements with the tobacco industry, on sports sponsorship and general advertising, despite protests by health groups that such agreements do not curb advertising.

The agreement on sports sponsorship allows the amount sponsorship allows the amount of money spent by the industry on prize money to rise from £4.5m to £6m, as disclosed in The Times last month. All advertisements for tobaccosponsored events, however, will have to carry a health warning.

Under the second agreement, the industry has promised to spend f3m a year on indepen-dent research into health promotion and to agree to some, as yet undermined, further restrictions on advertising.

Both agreements were con-

yesterday by the Medical Association demned and Action on Smoking and Health (Ash). The Royal College of Physicians, the Royal College of Surgeons and the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh are to meet to decide what concerted action ro take.

Mr Neil Macfarlane, Mini-ster for Sport, announced the new agreement on sports spon-sorship in Parliament yester-day in answer to a question from Sir Hector Monro, Con-sevarive MP for Dumfries and a former minister for sport. He said the agreement would run for four years until at least December 31, 1985 and that the existing expenditure ceiling the actual expenditure in 1976 adjusted for inflation, would be maintained.

Government bealth warnings are to appear on press and poster advertising for sponsored sporting activities and the industry is to inform the Minister for Sport of any changes in their sponsorship plans. The companies will have to consult the Minister if they want to sponsor any sport not previously sponsored and will not be allowed to sponsor any in which most of the participants are under 18.

The agreement is a snub for Britain's top medical men, since the presidents of eight royal medical colleges wrote to the Minister for Sport in December, calling for an end to sports sponsorship. They said that such sponsorship evaded the ban on tobacco advertising on television because many of the sponsored events,

The Government has conclu- which carried large poster dis-

tary of State for Social Servies, announced in the Commons the new voluntary agreement on advertising. Health groups were disappointed that another voluntary agreement was con-cluded becaus ewhen Mr Pat-trick Jenkin, former Secretary of State for Social Services, announced the last one 14 months ago, it was thought that it might be followed by legis-lation banning advertising. Mr Jenkin said that if a private member's Bill was introduced to that effect the Government

would not oppose it.

Mr Fowler said that the £3m
to be given by the industry
for health promotion would be spent on research projects chosen by a working group later this year. The tobacco industry had confirmed that the new agreement on advertising would cover further restrictions and better presentation

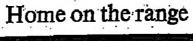
of the health warning.
A spokesman for the British Medical Association said yesterday: "We deplore this tacit cooperation in the advertising o fan industry that is causing massive ill health." Mr David massive ill health." Mr David Simpson, director of Ash, said: "This is a black day for health. The strongest plea from the very top of the medical profession has been swept aside in favour of giving cigarette pushers what they want. How on earth can health ministers have to reduce the enidemic. hope to reduce the epidemic of disease and death caused by smoking if their colleagues in other government departments are pulling in the opposite

"The new rule about health warnings on advertising for sponsored events is the one victory for the health depart-ment. It is a clear admission that tobacco sponsorship really is just the way of cheating the restriction on ordinary cigarette advertising." Mr Simpson said that a single

extra penny on a packet of cigarettes could provide ten times as much money for sport as that spent by the tobacco

as that spent by the tobacco industry.

A guide to persuade health authorities to take up the antiswoking cause has been launched by Action on Smoking and Health (Ash). It suggests that all health authorities address a policy to include adopt a policy to include advice for health staff and patients about giving up smoking, a ban on smoking in hospitals, and publicty progr-





President Reagan wearing a cowboy hat given to him by a schoolgirl before addressing a rally at Cheyenne, Wyoming. The President defended his budget proposals and promised there would be no retreat on his economic policies. (Page 6).

Opticians make £6m profit on cheap lenses

Opticians have made millions of pounds in profits from the Department of Health and Social Security by recouping cash on cut-price lenses, often cheap foreign imports, at standard rates, the House of Commons Public Accounts Committee was told last night.

Sir Kenneth Stowe, Perma-nent Secretary at the depart-ment, said a full inquiry into the system of reimbursement was to be carried out this But the department had no legal powers to demand the return of the cash, estimated at £6m,

Moscow rife with rumours

Continued from page 1

He has long been associated with the Soviet leader, but became a member of the Politburo only in 1978. But he was prominently ranked at Mr Sus-lov's funeral and was on hand to greet General Wojciech Jaruzelski, the Polish leader, at the airport on Monday.

By contrast, Mr Andrei Kirilenko, a more senior man, appears to have faded from the picture. A Politburo member for 20 years and long mooted as a successor to Mr Brezhoey, of similar rank are interred be was less prominent at Mr Suslov's funeral and was not included in the party greeting General Jaruzelski. Considerably greater publicity was apparently told they

r award on his seventy-birthday one mouth previously.

Another twist to the story,

where fresh and contradictory rumours are being spread every day, is the unexplained slighting of General Tsvigun on his unexpected death. Mr Brezhnev did not sign the official obituary, a deliberate breach of protocol. General Tsvigun was not buried at Novodevichi where all semor party officials

given to Mr Chernyenko's should not come to Moscow for award on his seventieth birth-day than to Mr Kirilenko's There may be no real connexion between the arrest of Mr Tsigan, General Tsvigun's death and the rivalry between Mr Kirilenko and Mr Chern-

yenko. But it is significant

that such connexions are being hinted at. There is a general expec-tancy at the moment that there tancy at the moment that there might soon be some important political changes within the Politburo. And though the personal position of President Brezimev would seem as secure as it always has been rumours about his son, Mr Yuri Brezhnev, a Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, and his daughter, contribute to the uncertainty of what is going on. Frank Johnson in the Commons

Nott's finest hour: a study in martial arts

their exploits were powerless to defend Mr Note means to defend Mr Note means this modern, scientific form of warfare. Unless the Secretary of State railied, the enemy would convince helf the country that the Tory scheme was the same as the old computanty national service, and the war would lost.

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vice, and the war would hose.

Mr Note stood alone But he bided his time. Suddenly the Speaker called Mr Cryer. Once out of the settentary position, he ran munck. The scheme was "the crained manipulation of the transployed", he raved. It was in addition "a public relations exercise" because "the Ministry of Defence is green with envy at the success of the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmanent among young

It was completely undisciplined, the sort of thing which has no place in the kind of warfare favoured by such authorities as Liddell Hart, Guderian and Allaun, It

Hart, Guderian and Allaun, Ic was as well that there were no villages near by, since Mr. Cryer would have looted them. Mr Nott dealt with him with considerable panache. "I wish we could have got the Hon Gentleman en a youth adventure scheme he suavely commented. Tory morale recovered. The Labour benches tried a gentler

Mr John Nott, the Secre-tary of State for Defence, yesterday gave the details of his scheme to make it pos-sible for young people to volunteer for adventure train-ing with the Armed Forces. ing with the Arnted Forces.

He was congratulated by a series of Conservative backbench marrial figures who prefaced their questions to him with stirring cries along he lines of: "As a reserve soldier who has completed 30 years of service. "This last came from Mr Neil Thorne (Redbridge, Bford, South, Con), and gave one of the other ranks, Mr Robert Brown (Newcastle upon Tyne, West, Lab), the opportunity to shout back: "Well, get your hands out yer pockets, your hands out yer pockets,

your hands out yet with then."

Undeterred by the risk of such insubordination, another Tory, Mr Keith Best (Anglesey), pressed ahead with:

"As a serving Territorial Army officer." Later, Lord James Douglas-Hamilton (Edinburgh West, Con) intervened with: "As another Army reservist."

In the face of these provocative manoeuvres, the People's Army below the gangway on the other side of the House could not, as the saying goes, stand idly by.

saying goes, stand idly by.
The Labour left has long
made it clear that it cannot
tolerate the British Army being stationed in any country, including Britain — particularly Britain.

iarly Britain.

"As one who has the honour to be a serving officer in the class war", Mr Dennis Skinner (Bolsover, Lab), could well have begun. Mr Skinoer made aggressive noises at Mr Nott throughour the exchanges. Occasionally, he would hold a staff conference with two brother officers satting with him below the gangway: Mr Robert Crver (Keighley, Lab) and Mr Frank Allaun (Salford, East, Lab). They decided on a pinter movement, Mr Cryer, shouting from the strategic sedentary position, strafed Mr Nott with a cry of "extend higher edua cry of "extend higher edu-cation" when the Secretary

of State said the scheme was a way of making use of young people. Meanwhile Mr Allaun launched a textbook tank thrust at what he saw as Mr Nort's most vulnerable point. "The scheme is a pre-lude to compulsory national service for the unemployed", Mr Alliam calmiy observed. All those more traditional soldiers on the Tory benches who had been boasting of

morale recovered. The Labour benches tried a genier approach. Mr Andrew Ben-nett (Stockport, North, Lab) complained about the Army mistreating the countryide during manoeuvres. He sug-gested that, in addition to being taught other skills, the volunteers should be "taught concern" for the countryside. He seemed to have in mind concern " for the countryside. He seemed to have in mind some sort of Queen's Own Environmentalists. Regiment, or Coldstream Ecologists. It sounded rather wet.

Mr John Silkin, the shadow defence spokesman, did not oppose the scheme as such but feared that it would be at the expense of our conventional forces, a line which could not have satisfied the could not have satisfied the left. As Mr Cryer's chant of made clear, they look forward to the day when awords will be beaten into polytechnics.

The House moved on the Canada Bill. Whereupon Mr. Dale Campbell Savours (Workington, Lab) was ordered out of the Chamber for constantly getting up on a point of order in defiance of the Chair. Court-martialled for discrepting parliamentary for disrupting parliamentary history's most boring Bill had deserved a medal.

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Today's events

Royal engagements

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Italy (13).

9 Supervisor's slip? (9).

1 A superlative commander in

18 Bone from Munster ruin (7).

20 Unpaid companion in a

biblical city (7). 21 Greek intelligence? On the

contrary, American (4).

22 One of thirty here which the ignorant don't have (4).

27 Writing symbolic of a curt

worker (9).

28 Plutonian aspect associated with the Cheshire Cat (13).

1 Lack of basis for Spanish

4 He took in, in wild glee, what was left (7).

castles (14).

satisfy these? (5). 3 Enid hacked of courses here (10).

23 It's swinging in the rain (5).

26 Material for Prokofiev (5).

The Queen visits the annual stallion show of the National Light Horse Breeding Society at Newmarket; 11.30.

The Prince and Princess of Wales attend a gala evening in aid of the Order of St John at the Barbican Centre for Arts and Conferences EC2; 7.50.

New exhibitions Contemporary Canadian tapes-tries, work by leading weavers, Barbkan Centre, Barbican, EC2. Open today 12 to 3; then Mon-Sun 10 to 10, from tomorrow (until July 4).

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,771

10 Vocalize poem in the extremes 7 Decree involving dinar once of youthful zeal (5). (9). 11 Arboreal retreat a girl found 8 Sort of paper lacking writing

12 Guy may secure this wine 14 Beachcomber's opponent from Spain? (4).

13 A denial from a Parisian of 16 Patterned like Omar's board unknown identity (4). unknown identity (4).

15 Purple medick from the lake

of Nights and Days (9).

15 Purple medick from the lake

19 Wet invalid diet (no spirit) for

Wood, clay and watercolours: paintings and sculpture by Bert Roberts, Manor House, likley. Tues-Sun 10 to 5, closed Mon (until April 4).

Watercolours by Chris Deards, pictures are mainly townscapes, many of the Islington scene. Islington Central Library Gallery, 2 Fieldway Crescent, N5; Mon-Fri 9 to 8, Sat 9 to 5, closed Sun (until March 27).

Anthony Davies and Inocuts by John Mnafangejo, Moira Kelly —Fine Art, 97 Essex Road, Isling-ton, N1. Tues-Sat 11 to 6, late opening Thurs 11 to 8, closed Sun and Mon (until April 8).

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description from Blake (7).

6 In adversity see Procne's son

Exhibitions in progress

Last chance to see

fast : 10 to 5, ends today. Drawings and paintings by third year students of Camberwell

Catholic theology and the bomb, by Roger Rushton, St Botolph, Aldzate, 1.05.

Temple, 1.15.

Bible study: St Luke, St
Andrew-by-the-Wardrobe, 1.30.

English watercolour (1). by
Colin Wiggins, National Gallery,

History Museum, 3.
Entertainers — photography in the theatre, National Centre of Photography, Milsom Street,

Music Music Lost Jockey; voice and key-board recital, City University, Northampton Square, EC1, 1.10. Piano recital by William

Westminster Bridge Road, Sel. 7.20. Southampton University Concert Society presents Mitsuko Uchida, a plano recital, Southampton University, Turner Sims Concert London Soloists Chamber

17 Lingering, as a boy in elegant 20 First act set outside eastern surroundings (7). London Soloists Chamber Orchestra presents an early even-ing concert. St Paul's Church, Covent Garden, 6.15.
A production of Walton: Facade, and Weill: Mahagonny Sougspiel, New Theatre, Strand Building, King's College, 7.30.
Recital by Effeen Lowes, The Hexagon, Civic Centre, Reading, 1.10. 24 Unattractive environment of Sodom and Gomorrah (5). 25 The disorderly state officers or sergeants? (4).

Solution of Puzzle No 15,770

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Paintings, gouaches and graphics by Graham Sutherland. Redfern Gallery, 20 Cork Street, W1; Mon-Fri 10 to 5.30, Sat 10 to 12, closed Sun (until March 30).

Paintings by Graham Crowley, Air Gallery, 6 & 8 Rosebery Avenue, EC1; 11 to 6, ends today. Museum, Botanic Gardens, Bel-

School of Art and Crafts, South London Art Gallery, Peckham Road, SE5; 10 to 6, ends today. Talks, lectures

Botolph, Aldgate, 1.05.

Penny cheap and nasty—Ernest
King collection, by Caristine
Johnstone, Museum of London,
London Wall, 1.10.

Anger and bitterness, by the
Rev Dr Brian Johanson, City
Temple, 1.15.

Life between the tides, Natural

Egypt in the Persian empire, by Amelic T L Kuhrt, University College, London, Gower Street, WC1, 1.20.

Corporations, conventicles, and clubs: the impact of urban growth in the later seventeenth century, by Penelope Corfield, Gustave Tuck Theatre, University

Northampton Square, EC1, 1.10.
Piano recital by William
Howard. St Bartholome: theGreat, 1.10.
Voice and organ recital by
Susan Elliott and Ian le Grice,
St Giles' Cripplegate, 1.10.
Bach Cantata series: Motet No
v. St Mary-at-Hill, Lovat Lane,
Eastrhean, 1.15.

V. Sr Mary-at-Hill, Lovat Lane, Eastcheap, 1.15. Special early evening concert: Coro Cappella, St Anne's and Saint Agnes, Gresham Street, EC2, 7. Concert by Morley Chamber Orchestra, Morley College, 61 Westminster Bridge Road, SE1, 7,30.

Walks Best of British pubs night, meet Bond Street Underground, 7.30,

> General Readings and music for Lent based on the prose and poetry of George Herbert, Durham Cathed-ral, Durham, S.

Bond winner The £250,000 Premium Satings-Bond prize has been won by Bond prize has been won by 172N 301884. The winner lives in Fife.

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London: The FT Index closed down 2.6 at 555.2.

Auctions today

Bonham's, Montpelier Street:
European oil paintings, 11; English and Continental furniture,
2.30. Christie's, South Kensingion: Oriental works of art, 10.30;
European ceramics, 2; scientific
instruments, domestic and other
machinery and writing implements, 2. Phillips, Blenheim
Street: Chinese shawls and embroideries, lace and costumes, 11;
scripophily and paper money, 2.
Phillips, Alphin Brook Road,
Exeter: Victoriana, 11. Sotheby's,
Eond Street: ballet and theatre
material, 10.30 and 2.30; medals,
10.30 and 2. Sotheby's, Belgravia:
ceramics, 11. Sotheby's, Rainbow,
Torquay: collectors' items including toys and dolls, works of
art including a good collection of
European scent bottles and English, Continental and Oriental
furniture, 10.

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Bonham's, Montpelier Street:
English and Continental furniture,
9 to 2.30, Christie's, King Street:
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9.15 to 4.30. Christie's, South
Kensington: Oriental works of
art, 9.15 to 10: scleantific instruments, weights and measures,
pens, domestic and other machines, 9.15 to 12: European ceramics, 9.15 to 12: silver, 9.15 to
4.30: printed books, atlases and
maps, 9.15 to 4.30. Phillips, Blenheim Street: scripophily and
paper money, 9 to 1: silver and
plate: modern British paintings,
drawings and sculpture, all 9 to plate; modern British paintings, drawings and sculpture, all 9 to 4.30. Phillips, Alphin Brook Road, Exeter; Victoriana, 9 to 11. Sotheby's, Bond Street; carpets; English furniture. Japanese prints, all 9.30 to 4.30. Sotheby's, Belgravis; mechanical music and printed ephemera, 9.30 to 4.30.

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Coal Industry Bill, remaining stages. Orders relating to mineworkers. Lords (3): Mental Health BIII, third reading. Antiquities BIII,

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vendetta. It said that Senator Ted

Stevens, Republican of Alaska, proposes that, if the Europeans continue with the pipeline, the

continue with the pipeline, the United States ought to punish them by withdrawing its troops from Europe. "It would be worse than irouic if the Polish events ultimately turned out to have done more damage to the Atlantic Alliance in the West than to the Russian begenony in the East."

Racing: Ludlow (1.45),
Ragby League: First division;
Bradford Northern v Castleford (7.30).
Radminton: England v Japan,
at Bletchley (6.30).
Squash rackets: ISPA Championship, at Abbeydale, Sheffield (5.30).
Sport on TV

Sport on TV ITV: 2.45, Snooker—Yamaha Organs Trophy; 6.30, Thames Sport; 10.35, Snooker—Yamaha Organs Trophy.

Because of strong winds, Scottish ferty services to Western Isles have been cancelled. British Rall reports there will be delays and cancellations on the Glasgow to West Coast routes. Trains on Newcastle-Edinburgh line also subject to delay. Weather has also affected some British Caledonian flights in Scotland, but the atrline advised passengers to book in punctually.

Roads

Scotland: AI: temporary sig-

als in use south of Blair Atholl

Today's anniversaries

Travel

Sporting fixtures

The Daily Mirror writes today that for the past three years gas prices have gone up at a rate 10 per cent faster than inflation. at a time when the Government says its most important policy is to reduce inflation.

That has not been a price increase, but a tax increase because it is the Government which made the British Gas Corporation do it it says

6 am to midnight "Gas used to be advertised as the high speed fuel. Under this government the only high speed thing about it has been the rate at which the price has gone up."

The London Standard noted last night that Aslef, the train drivers' union, was preparing for more one- and two-day strikes if the national tribunal to be chaired by Lord McCarthy requested the introduction of flexible rostering. "If Aslef still refuses to recognise common good then its members have no business to be driving trains."

The Washington Post said that the United States computing against West European participation in the Soviet Yamal gas pipeline was beginning to take on the shrill tone of an ideological vendetta.

Lighting up time

Lendon 6.16 pm to 6.08 am Bristol 6 25 pm to 6.18 am Edinburgh 6.23 pm to 6.25 am Manufester 6.22 pm to 6.18 am Penzonce 6.39 pm to 6.28 am

Yesterday

Highest and lowest

Scotland: AI: temporary sig-nals near A198 intersection, Loth-ian and borders; MB: several lanes closed from junction 12 (Combernauld) to junction 15 (Townhead); A9: temporary sig-Highest day max: Cromer, Poole, Exeter, 12C (54F). Lowest day max: Lerwick, 5C (41F). Highest rainfall, Benbesila, 98in. Highest sussime: Douglas, Scarborough, 7 Ger.

Weather

A depression centred over Scandinavia will be slow moving and will maintain a rather cold, showery, NW. airstream over the British

London, SE England, East, Angus, cross-nol istands: Rain early, showers developing but dying out after dark, also sumly inter-uals; wind W, becoming NW, moderate; max temp 6 to 8C (43 to 46F). Central S, central N England, Midlands: Scattered showers, sunny intervals, becom-ing clear after dark; wind NW, moderate; max temp 6 to 8C (43 to 46F).

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SW, NW England, Wales: Showers, dying, away later, numy intervals; wind W to NW, fresh decreasing moderate; max temp 6 to 8C (43 to 46F).

Lake District, Ethe of Maa, Aberdeen, 5W. NE Scotland. Glaspew, carbod Highlands. Maray Firth, Orlowy, Shetkand: Showers, some heavy, wintry over high ground, perhaps half and thunder, bright intervals in sheltered places; wind NW to N strong decreasing moderate; max Lemp 4 to 6C (39 to 43C).

Argyli, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Showers, some heavy and wintry over high ground, later dying out, simny intervals; wind W to NW, strong, decreasing SW, anderente; max Lemp 4 to 6C (39 to 43F). Outland for longerous and Safurday Bright and mostly dry at first; becoming cloudy with cain at times, chiefly in the N. Near normal temperatures, becoming mild in parts of the S.

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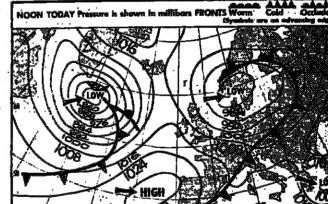
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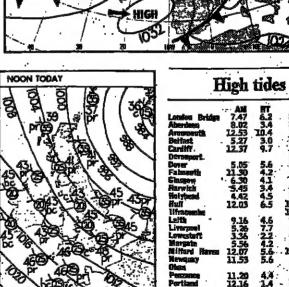
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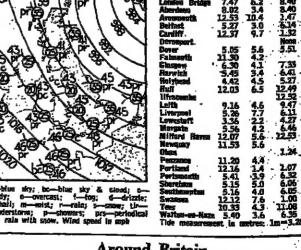
Tayside.

North: A1(M): inside lane closed south bound north of Scotch Corner (North Yorkshire); A1: between Selby and Wetherby outside lanes closed. Figures give time of visibility, where rising, maximum elevation, and direction of setting. Asterisk denotes entering or leaving edings.

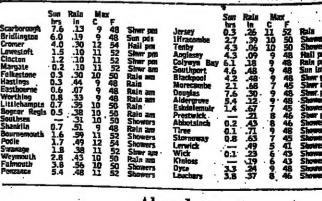
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